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## Holiday blooms

Shannon Kohler of the Willow Run Farms greenhouse in Van Buren Township waters some of the hundreds of poinsettias in red, pink and white that bloom each year at the greenhouse. The plants will be sold through a charitable organization, according to manager James Quinn. (See related story on B-5) MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

## Oakley team forming

### Morris named key aide, Paul heads DPW

By AL POST  
MCN Staff Writer

The new administration of Mayor William Oakley has begun to take shape with the addition of veteran area businessman Thomas Morris as the mayor's top assistant and Building, Safety and Engineering Director David Paul being switched to heading the Department of Public Works.

Other changes include Anita Johnson being placed in charge of the city's personnel department and Debbie Dick returning as head of the city's recreation department.

Those changes were added to the earlier announcements that Rita McLenon, long-term city employee, is now Oakley's administrative assistant and Hubert Staten is the new number two man in the DPW.

Oakley's former campaign manager Ron Hopson offered great enthusiasm last Friday by saying he was glad "Oakley landed on his feet running the city only hours after taking office as mayor" following the Dec. 11 recount of the Nov. 7 election.

Oakley won the recount by

13 votes.

Hopson said he and Oakley met until the early morning hours to set up priorities for the new Oakley administration, shortly after attending his first council meeting on Dec. 11.

Convincing Morris to join the Oakley team was a major plus for Oakley, Hopson said, and should be a huge step up for city government.

Morris, 51, is currently serving as assistant to Oakley and will help fill many of the holes in city government leadership right now, caused by the heavy departure of department heads who served under ex-Mayor Beverly McAnally.

Morris admits he will be wearing "many hats" as Oakley seeks to fill the various department head positions during this hectic holiday season.

Morris, a 1963 graduate of Romulus High School, is a member of an early Romulus family tracing its roots back to the 1850s. He served two years with the U.S. Army in 1969-70, including one year in Vietnam.

He graduated from Michigan State University's School of Business in 1967 and was in-

involved in the Total petroleum business in Wayne County and other areas with his father, Carl W. Morris, and three brothers.

One of his brothers, Donald R., has been named by Oakley to be a member of the city's Planning Commission. Two other brothers, who worked in the family business, include Larry C. and James R. Morris.

McLenon first worked for the city back in 1963 as a Water Department employee. She then worked for seven years with the Building Department, took two years off from work, and then worked for two years as City Council secretary.

McLenon then worked two years as deputy treasurer, five years in the Community Development department and five years as the city's purchasing agent.

Most recently McLenon served as an accounts payable representative at Oakwood Hospital.

Johnson, 42, formerly served as personnel director back in the old Oakley administration in the early 1980's.

A lifelong Romulus resident, Johnson served on the

student council before graduating from Romulus High back in 1971. Since then she also has earned a cosmetology license and helped operate the Razor's Edge salon locally.

Johnson said Tuesday morning, "I love being part of the new Oakley administration, just like I did when he served as mayor earlier."

Dick, 43, replaced Recreation Department Director Brian Hitsky on Monday. She formerly served as recreation director in Romulus from 1984 until 1989 under McAnally. Earlier she served in a similar post in Wayne from 1970 to 1984.

Since leaving the Romulus recreation post, Dick said, she has continued to be involved in recreation, serving as a referee in volleyball, softball and basketball matches.

Dick is excited to return as recreation director and finds that much of old staff still is employed there.

She says any parent or local resident wishing to make suggestions to the Recreation Department is welcome to call her or staff members at 942-6852.

## Green will be '96 chief judge

By AL POST  
MCN Staff Writer

In what was considered a surprise move by some, the newest 34th District Court Judge Tina Brooks Green will serve as chief judge of the district beginning Jan. 2, 1996.

With the historic change, Green will become the first woman to hold that title in the district's history. The appointment lasts for two years.

Green, when informed of the appointment, revealed she is "excited about the opportunities the appointment offers her and the court in total."

She said all the chief justices in Wayne County will meet jointly in Dearborn on Jan. 24 to discuss many issues, including probably the court reorganization issue in Wayne County.

"One of the key words I hear from my fellow judges is the need for consistency in the courts," Green continued, "and that should be welcome news to the public."

The other phrase now being banded about judicial circles, Green said, is the need for "hands on management by the chief judge." Green expressed appreciation for that also, since as she said "they have been my buzz words for the past year or more."

Green said she was happy also that recently elected Judge Mark J. Plawewski of the 20th District was named chief judge in Dearborn Heights, giving her the strong concept that new ideas will be focused on and encouraged in the Michigan Court System this coming year.

The decision was announced earlier this week by the Michigan Supreme Court, along with more than 100 other chief justiceships across the state.

"The Supreme Court has chosen a highly skilled, highly professional and conscientious group of judges to lead the court in an era that promises a great deal of excitement and change," Chief Justice James H. Brickley announced.



Judge Tina Green

Chief judges had previously been elected by the members of their own benches.

Chief judges will administer guidelines and standards to improve court performances. Jury management and trial court budgeting guidelines are now being developed by the Supreme Court and trial court representatives. Case flow managements and court security guidelines will follow.

The top court based its selections on judicial experience, training and leadership qualities, Brickley said. It also considered the ability to motivate and work collegially with fellow judges and court administrative staff and foster a climate of innovation and change.

While the agenda for the meeting has not been set, it was expected by some local members of the 34th District Court Control Unit that the possible split between a District 34 and District 34 A court system might be aired again.

## Court meeting slated

A meeting of municipal officials from the five towns represented in the 34th District Court will be conducted at 2 p.m. Jan 18 in the courthouse.

The meeting reportedly has been asked by Sumpter Township attorney Lavon King.

While the agenda for the meeting has not been set, it was expected by some local members of the 34th District Court Control Unit that the possible split between a District 34 and District 34 A court system might be aired again.

## DNA test eliminates suspect, but hunt goes on for killer

By AL POST  
MCN Staff Writer

The hunt for the killer of Northwest Airlines flight attendant Nancy Ludwig is continuing, despite the fact that a recent DNA test has eliminated former Michigan car photographer Charles Rathbun as a suspect in the 1990 rape-murder.

Romulus police feel they have some tissue samples from Ludwig's killer found at that

Feb. 25, 1990 murder site at the Romulus Airport Hilton. But recent DNA tests performed with California murder suspect Charles Rathbun's blood samples failed to match him up with the tissue samples found at the murder scene.

Rathbun already has been charged with the murder of former Los Angeles Raider cheerleader Linda Sobek. California authorities say that Rathbun claims that he accidentally killed Sobek with his

car and then buried her body when he feared he would be arrested for her murder.

Police across the country then began checking their unsolved murder files, including one in the Lansing area, for any murder links to Rathbun.

The reason Romulus and Lansing police got heavily involved in the Rathbun's case, is because he formerly lived in Lansing and had a Michigan

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## Doll exhibit

Barbara Macklin of Sumpter Township displays some of her dolls, hoping that Santa may bring another to add to her collection. MCN photo by Len Gillespie



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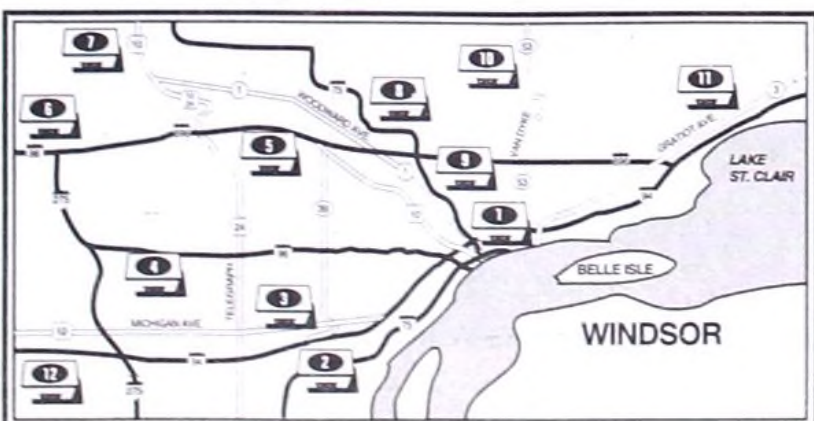
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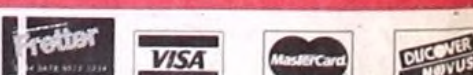
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# ROMULUS NEWS DIGEST

## Romulus residents receive thanks

Romulus residents, who aided the local school musical units earlier this semester, were thanked last week by Judith Thompson, director of school choirs.

In her press release, Thompson said, "Our fund raising project began on Sept. 5 and concluded on Oct. 2. All households were contacted and asked to support the Romulus students."

"Residents were asked to purchase either frozen pizza, French bread pizza, trash bags, first aid kits, fire extinguishers or tasty homemade fudge," she said.

The fund drive raised over \$1,000 and the funds were used to purchase new choir stoles, cumberbands, bow ties and scripts for the upcoming "Annie" musical slated to be performed in March at the high school.

## Intern teachers finish pacts

Intern teachers at Merri-man Elementary School are finishing their student teaching contracts this month.

The three student teachers have been in the school since the beginning of the school year. They include Nancy Mueroff, who has worked with Barbara Jaszcz's first grade class; Chris Vassel, who has worked with Nancy Straub special needs students and Derek Kruslensky, who has worked with Margie Baird's fifth and six grade split class.

Mueroff and Vassel are students at Eastern Michigan University. Kruslensky is a student at Western Michigan University.

## Students create radio programs

Fifth and sixth grade students at Merriman School visited Greenfield Village for an overnight experience on Dec. 7 and created two radio stories.

The students were joined by teachers Dee Raub and Margie Baird and student teacher Derek Kruslensky.

The students were broken into two separate groups, each creating their own radio story with sound effects and commercials.

The finished programs were taped by the Village personnel and videos were given to the teachers.

## Students donate coats to needy

Approximately 35 free warm coats and jackets were donated to needy families on Tuesday by local high school students.

Sandy Schwartz of Romulus High School said 45 students from Sub Bus 7 (the Beverly/Fourth Street area) collected the coats, cleaned the clothing themselves and then donated them to area residents at the Burger King restaurant on Wayne Road.

## Rain conditions may force delays

November heavy rains may cause construction delays at the new Romulus Salvation Army complex off Van Born Road, Major Roger Senn told Salvation Army Advisory Board members last week.

While progress on the buildings continues, the heavy rain storm that hit the area recently has left heavy mud and puddles adjacent to the major buildings under construction.

The water conditions possibly may delay installation of roads and parking lots there, Senn said, and thus block access to the public buildings which are a distance back from the local roads.

Among the buildings will be a new Salvation Army thrift store and another containing dormitory rooms for men undergoing substance abuse treatment, a religious chapel and administrative offices for the Army's commander and his staff.

It was hoped the buildings would be ready for use next spring, but the exact date is now undetermined.



## Goodfellows ready

Romulus Goodfellows began gearing up earlier this week for the massive gift donations to area needy families (youth and senior citizens) following many presents offered by local businesses, employees and students. In top photo, (from left) Firefighter John Thiede, Goodfellows treasurer; Jill Martin, Goodfellows secretary and Fire Marshal David Allison, display just some of the toys and stuffed animals that will be presented as holiday gifts. In the bottom photo, fire department officials examine some of the quality bikes that also will be presented to area youth. They include (from left) David Allison, Matt Czarnowski, Don Schmidt, Mike Cullen, Fire Chief William Green-slaite, John Thiede and Bob Pecszenye. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

## Bosnian action splits family during holiday

By AL POST  
MCN Staff Writer

A local city official's family got good news and bad news this past week in regard to the growing U.S. peace keeping efforts in Bosnia.

City Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman Stanley Kreft and his wife, Phyllis, had received word earlier that both their 20-year-old daughter, Susan, a 1993 Romulus High School graduate and her husband, Juan Tovar, might be headed for Bosnia as members of the U.S. Army.

But last week the Krefts were "elated" to receive the joyous word that Susan was being afforded a chance to spend two weeks (including the Christmas and New Years holidays) in Romulus with her family. She was scheduled to arrive at Detroit Metro Airport yesterday.

At the same time they re-

ceived the less than happy news that their son-in-law (an Army communications specialist) already was enroute to the troubled land also known as the former Yugoslavia.

Mrs. Kreft said obviously her daughter is worried about her husband.

The young soldiers were married on Aug. 26 and most recently were stationed in Germany.

While home the Krefts are going to visit Susan's 79-year-old grandmother Adella Dalton in Lachine, Mich.

Susan is assigned to an Army transportation unit in Germany and has received no confirmation of her next assignment at this time, her parents said.

The Krefts remained concerned about the future since 35 percent of the Army personnel going to Bosnia are women, but are joyful about the holiday adventures before them right now.



Juan Tovar and his bride, Susan (Kreft) following their August wedding.

## Cargo pilot escapes injury

By AL POST  
MCN Staff Writer

Detroit Metro Airport was closed 10 to 12 minutes and a pilot escaped serious injury early Friday morning, when his cargo plane failed to engage its landing gear as he made a near-emergency landing.

Metro Airport spokesman Michael Conway revealed the small Air Transport Industries cargo plane traveling from Flint to Louisville was developing a rough engine and thus the pilot decided to stop at Metro for a check.

No concern was expressed initially at the airport shortly after 4 a.m., as the pilot said he had no knowledge that his

landing gear was not operating.

"But when the heavy scraping sound occurred and massive sparks developed off the runway," Conway said, "the airport's fire department was alerted."

The airport was closed briefly until it was determined that the lone occupant of the plane was not hurt and the runway that is usually used for Metro's international flights was shutdown from 4:25 to 9:30 a.m., Conway revealed.

Neither shutdown affected the airport's schedule, he said.

There was no apparent damage to the runway, Conway said Friday. The plane sustained heavy skinning of its bottom as it skidded along the runway.

## Raspberry awaits knee recovery

By AL POST  
MCN Staff Writer

Long-term Romulus City Councilman Jimmie Raspberry continues to convalesce at home from his recent knee surgery.

Raspberry, who was re-elected to a new two-year term on Nov. 7, underwent knee replacement only days later. It was Raspberry's second knee replacement in past years.

Raspberry's recovery was hampered somewhat by a

blood clot, which has apparently been eliminated, but doctors are continuing to closely watch his blood, the senior councilman revealed Sunday evening.

Raspberry said he wanted to thank the voters for their confidence in re-electing him to a new term and for their patience while he is incapacitated.

Raspberry is temporarily using a wheelchair at his Romulus home, but is hoping to be back at his usual council seat early in the new year.

## School earns grant

By AL POST  
MCN Staff Writer

Romulus High School was informed last week that it has earned a \$75,000 grant to help expand its school to work partnership concept.

Former principal Thomas Dolan said he and other three school officials submitted the bid for the federal grant and only Romulus and the Regional Education Service Agency won such grants in

Wayne County. The RESA grant was for \$90,000.

Assisting him in writing the grant specs, Dolan said, were high school teacher Terry Bird, Adult School Director Bill Murphy and Rosemary Pepper of the Henry Ford Community College.

The effort created by the grant will help align school curriculum with today's job market needs, Dolan said.

Dolan is now the school district's curriculum director.

## Suspects

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driver's license until early this year.

Two years ago 19-year-old Rose Larner of Lansing, who lived a short distance from Rathbun's neighborhood, was reported missing. Her body has never been found, but it is strongly believed that she met foul play.

Ludwig, 41 of Minnionka, Minn., reportedly was raped and had her throat slashed by her attacker in 1990.

No definite suspect has been identified, but Romulus police were told that a tall white man between the ages of 25 and 35 was seen around the Airport Hilton the night of the murder.

Rathbun is white, blond and 38 years of age, factors that added to Romulus police interest in his DNA tests.

But Romulus Police Chief Daryl Poe admitted several weeks ago, "We have nothing at this time to even link Rathbun being in Romulus around the time of Ludwig's death."

Ludwig's husband, Arthur, has remained active in seeking citizen involvement in his wife's murder case. An \$80,000 reward has been offered by Ludwig for information that leads to the solving of the case.

Detective Sgt. Daniel Snyder said while Rathbun has apparently been eliminated as a suspect, the murder case remains open and active.

## Study session slated Dec. 27

A study session on boarding home style houses on Tyler Street in Romulus will take place at 6 p.m. Dec. 27 in the Romulus City Council Chambers.

The issue was first raised by a private citizen, Judy Frederick, who told city officials that she noticed one such home, 37941 Tyler St., already occupied by three persons.



## Santa's helper

Festive Santa aide Carrie Moore, an employee at the 34th District Court, added to the holiday spirit last week as court staff members gathered for their annual holiday party. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

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# EDS answers Wadsworth

By AL POST  
MCN Staff Writer

Environmental Disposal Systems Inc Vice President Austin Marshall is asking Councilman William Wadsworth to explain why EDS could soon have two hazardous deep well facilities in Romulus and collect substantial damages from the city as well.

Marshall's statements were not aimed at Wadsworth directly, but were included in a letter mailed to Russ Harding, director of the Department of Environmental Quality in Lansing.

Marshall's letter came in response to Wadsworth's letter to Harding asking "help in preventing the drilling of another

well until all issues have been decided in the courts on the previous idle test well." Wadsworth's letter appears today in its entirety on Page A-6.

In Wadsworth's letter he criticizes the library selected for display of the EDS project materials and the fact that former Michigan Department of Natural Resources official Al Rarick, now is in the employ of EDS.

Marshall in his response letter said the selection of the library was made by the EPA, not EDS and that Rarick is a "very knowledgeable individual...and for Wadsworth to state (his employment with EDS) is improper is not only wrong, but there is no basis whatsoever for such a state-

ment."

Marshall's letter stated City Attorney Barry Seifman provided four legal opinions stating the city had no jurisdiction over the well, the last only 11 days before the city filed its lawsuit against EDS to stop the well.

"We believe that what really irritates Wadsworth is the fact that for the last two years, he, ex-Mayor Beverly McAnally and other city officials and their attorneys have been saying that EDS constructed its well in the wrong zoning district," Marshall's letter continues stating recently EDS has since purchased land in such an MT-2 zone recommended by the city.

## MAYOR WILLIAM A. OAKLEY



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### CITY OF ROMULUS

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL HELD DECEMBER 4, 1995 IN THE ROMULUS CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem, Randolph Gear

Present: Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth

Absent: None

Excused: Raspberry

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

Beverly McAnally, Mayor

Linda R. Choate, Clerk

James Napiorkowski, Treasurer

Motion by Prybyla, supported by Romak to accept the agenda as presented.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-549

2A. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Prybyla, to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on November 6, 1995. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Abstain - Crova. Motion Carried.

95-550

2B. Motion by Collins, supported by Wadsworth to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting as corrected held on November 14, 1995.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-551

2C. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Romak to approve the minutes of the Regular Council meeting held on November 27, 1995.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-552

2D. Motion by Crova, supported by Romak to approve the minutes of the Special Council meeting held on November 21, 1995.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-553

3A. Motion by Crova, supported by Wadsworth to schedule a Study Session with Wayne Community Living Services on Wednesday, December 27, 1995 at 6:00 p.m. Prevailing Eastern Time in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174-1485 for the purpose of discussing the independent living homes in the City.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-554

4A. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Prybyla to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Mary Ann Banks, former Mayor Pro Tem. Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-555

4B. Motion by Crova, supported by Collins to authorize Romulus Environmentalists Care About People (RECAP) to plant a blue spruce in Heritage Park and to place a memorial plaque in memory of former Mayor Pro Tem Mary Ann Banks.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-556

4C. Motion by Romak, supported by Wadsworth to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign a professional services contract with Tim Carpenter as a consultant for calendar year 1996.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-557

4D. Motion by Crova, supported by Collins to concur with the recommendation of City Attorney Barry Seifman and to direct the City Attorney to proceed as directed in the case of MDNR vs City of Romulus.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-558

4E. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Romak to direct the City Attorney to proceed as directed in the case of Sandstone vs. City of Romulus.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-559

4F. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Prybyla to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Berry, Francis, Seifman, Salamey & Harris, City Attorney with the contract to expire on November 10, 1997.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - Collins, Crova. Motion Carried.

4. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Romak to accept the Chairperson's Report.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

5A. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Prybyla to concur with the recommendation of Mayor McAnally and approve the Mayor's Consent Agenda, items 5A1 through 5A2 as follows:

95-560

5A1. To grant authorization to sell four (4) retired Police Cruisers to Trumbull Auto Sales for a total price of \$13,952.00.

95-561

5A2. To acknowledge receipt of the Budget Report for September, 1995 and to acknowledge receipt of the Employees Policy and Procedure Manual.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

5B. No action taken.

5. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Wadsworth to accept the Mayor's Report.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-562

6A1. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Prybyla to approve the second reading and final adoption of Zoning Amendment 1.138.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-563

6A2. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Crova to approve the second reading and final adoption of Zoning Amendment 1.139.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - Prybyla. Motion Carried.

95-564

6A3. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Wadsworth to approve the second reading and final adoption of Budget Amendment 95/96-04 introduced at the meeting of November 14, 1995.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - Collins, Crova. Motion Carried.

95-565

6A4. Motion by Crova, supported by Romak to concur with the recommendation of the Property Disposition Committee Consent Agenda and to accept the offer to purchase excess City owned property as follows:

1. Lot 53, Block 21, the Junction Subdivision from Debra Sharp in the amount of \$300.00.

2. Lot 7, Wayne View Gardens Subdivision from Mae E. Washington in the amount of \$600.00.

3. Lot 134, Supervisors Romulus Plat #7, Lot 14 & 15 Block 28, The Junction Subdivision from Peoples Community Hope for Homes for \$1,300.00.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

6A5. No action taken.

6A6. No action taken.

95-566

6A7. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Prybyla to introduce an ordinance to amend Chapter 14, Article II, to protect the City from unsightly and unsanitary disposal of trash. A copy in its entirety is on file in the City Clerk's office.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-567

6A8. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Wadsworth to approve the second reading and final adoption of Chapter 11, Environmental Health Ordinance.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-568

6A8a. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Collins to approve the second reading and final adoption of Zoning Amendment 1.133.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak,

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### SUBMITTAL OF APPLICATIONS TO CONSTRUCT AND OPERATE TWO CLASS I COMMERCIAL HAZARDOUS WASTE INJECTION DISPOSAL WELLS

Notice is hereby given by Environmental Disposal Systems, Inc. ("EDS") that it is preparing to submit permit applications to the Region V office of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) to construct and operate two Class I Commercial Hazardous Waste Injection Disposal Wells in the City of Romulus, Michigan in regards to Part C of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA).

Part C of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) specifically mandates regulation of the underground injection of fluids through wells to assure that the quality of underground sources of drinking water is protected. Section 1421 of the SDWA requires USEPA to administer Underground Injection Control (UIC) programs in states which do not have approved UIC programs. Michigan has not acquired primacy over the UIC program, therefore USEPA is administering the permit program pursuant to regulations at 40 CFR Part 147. Region V will review the permit applications pursuant to 40 CFR Parts 144, 146 and 148, under the procedures set forth in 40 CFR 124.5.

EDS proposes to construct the disposal wells in Romulus' MT-2 zoning district and to inject non-hazardous and hazardous liquid wastes into the wells after well tests verify the suitability of the wells to USEPA for such use. EDS Well No. 1-12 will be located in the SW 1/4, NW 1/4, SE 1/4 of Section 12, T3S, R9E in Wayne County, Michigan. Liquids will be injected into a confined, porous rock formation approximately 4020 feet below the surface. EDS Well No. 2-12 surface location will be in the SW 1/4, NW 1/4, SE 1/4 of Section 12, T3S, R9E in Wayne County, Michigan. Liquids will be injected into a confined, porous rock formation approximately 4020 feet below the surface at an approximate bottom hole location described as the SE 1/4, NE 1/4, SW 1/4 of Section 12. The wells will be located south of I-94; west of Inkster Road and Total Oil's petroleum storage facility and Ajax Paving's asphalt plant; north of Shell Oil's and Union 76 Oil's petroleum storage facilities and the railroad tracks; and east of Middlebelt Road.

Copies of the applications will be available for inspection at the Romulus Public Library located at 11111 Wayne Road in Romulus, Michigan and at the Wayne County Environmental Health Department located at 5454 Venoy Road, Wayne, Michigan 48184 after they have been filed with USEPA. At that time, copies may also be obtained from EDS at cost by contacting Mr. Austin Marshall, Vice President of EDS, P.O. Box 74456, 36420 Northline Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174 or at 1-313-955-2100.

Questions regarding the applications, after they have been filed, may be addressed to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, WU-17J, UIC Branch (Attn: David Werbach), 77 West Jackson Street, Chicago, Illinois 60604.

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Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.  
95-569

6A9. Motion by Collins, supported by Wadsworth to reappoint Marlene Spitz and Patricia Lenderman to the Board of Canvassers with their terms to expire December 31, 1999.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-570

6A10. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Collins to instruct City Attorneys Mark Jacobs and Stephen Winter, to request a three week extension of briefing schedule in the pending circuit court action so the newly elected City Council can consider further how it wishes to proceed in that matter.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-571

6B1a. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Prybyla to concur with the recommendation of the Treasurer, James Napiorkowski and reappoint Andrew Solak to the Building Authority with the term to expire October 27, 1998.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-572

6B1b. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Collins to forward a communication to Anthony Kopas thanking him for his years of service on the Building Authority.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-573

6B2. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Wadsworth to approve the one percent (1%) increase of the City Contribution for all non-union personnel beginning in the 1995-96 fiscal year.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - Collins. Motion Carried.

95-574

6B3. Motion by Crova, supported by Romak to authorize Treasurer James Napiorkowski to attend the Michigan Municipal Treasurers Association Winter Workshop on January 11 and 12, 1995 in Lansing, Michigan.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-575

9A. Motion by Romak, supported by Crova to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Philip Richardson.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-576

9B. Motion by Romak, supported by Collins to direct the City Clerk to send all residents and businesses notification that Environmental Disposal Systems, Inc. has applied for a permit to place a hazardous injection well near the intersection of Wick and Inkster Roads in the City of Romulus.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-577

9C. Motion by Collins, supported by Wadsworth to adopt a resolution of support for American troops in Bosnia.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

95-578

11. Motion by Prybyla, supported by Crova to approve the payment of Warrant #95-22 in the grand total amount of Five Hundred and Ninety One Thousand, Five Hundred and Forty Nine Dollars and Twenty Three Cents (\$591,549.23).

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

12. Motion by Wadsworth, supported by Prybyla to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council.

Roll Call Vote Showing: Ayes - Collins, Crova, Gear, Prybyla, Romak, Wadsworth. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda R. Choate, CMC Clerk  
City of Romulus, Michigan

I, Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held December 4, 1995.

Linda R. Choate, CMC, Clerk  
City of Romulus, Michigan

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# No truce War on drug dealers continues in Western Wayne County

By IVAN HELFMAN  
MCN Staff Writer

"I can't say that the war against drugs will ever end but that doesn't mean we'll quit fighting," said Michigan State Police Lt. Sandra Miller.

Miller commands Western Wayne Criminal Investigations, an undercover narcotics unit staffed and partially funded by 18 area communities and assisted by the state police, including its crime lab in Northville. Most of the funding comes from suspects' forfeitures.

The funding has enabled the organization to purchase sophisticated equipment to deal with the high tech dealers of today, some of whom use mobile phones and computers to peddle their contraband.

"The state police have computer crime experts. We keep up with the changing

times," she said.

Thanks to the state police, the unit has access to helicopters and planes equipped with heat detecting equipment that can detect indoor marijuana greenhouses from the sky.

"Close to 300 plants were seized from a home in Garden City," said Miller. "We also seized a Sumpter indoor grower's crop."

Since its formation in 1986, the covert crime fighters have had their hands full combating mostly cocaine, crack, and marijuana sales and usage, concentrating on low- to mid-level dealers and distributors. With heroin and LSD use increasing, officers have been arresting a small amount of sellers and users of those drugs, too.

Area youth smoke a little more marijuana and drop a little more LSD than the national average, Miller noted in her

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- Lt. Sandra Miller

annual report.

"Though drug prices fluctuate like the stock prices over the short term, drug prices and their supply and demand have remained stable."

In 1994, the unit executed 61 search warrants, made 123 arrests, and seized \$119,839 worth of drugs, including 65.22 pounds of marijuana, 405.85 grams of cocaine, and 20 grams

of heroin. Twenty-one guns were confiscated. Suspects forfeited \$138,079 worth of property, most of which was plowed back into law enforcement.

From 1991-1994, there were two heroin, one cocaine, 12 crack, and four marijuana busts in Inkster; one marijuana bust in Belleville; one cocaine, one crack, and 16 marijuana busts in Canton and one marijuana bust in Sumpter.

During the same period, there were three crack and 17 marijuana busts in Van Buren Township; three cocaine busts in Wayne, and 10 cocaine, two crack, 19 marijuana, and one LSD bust in Westland.

"Since passage of NAFTA, a lot of drugs have been coming in from Mexico," she said. "Border traffic isn't being checked like they used to be."

Miller welcomes tips from the community.

"Citizens are our eyes and our ears," she said. Contact her at 397- 0090.

## Concealed weapons restrictions remain

By AL POST  
MCN Staff Writer

A statewide bill that would have loosened restrictions on concealed weapons, opposed by many western Wayne County Police Departments, is considered dead for the time being, the Conference of Western Wayne Mayors was told last Friday.

Marcia Bianconi, assistant director of the CWW, told the board members in Dearborn Heights City Hall, that the bill (reported to be strongly supported by rural area residents and legislators) was sent back to the state House Judiciary Committee, where it reportedly died on Dec. 6.

Back on Nov. 21, the CWW sent a strong letter opposing the concealed weapons bill to State Rep. Alan Cropsey. Explaining the CWW includes governmental leaders of 18 communities involving 650,000 residents, the letter said the group was opposed to abolishing local gun boards, that currently are in charge of determining who should be granted permission to carry

concealed weapons.

House Bill 4720 would have empowered the Secretary of State to automatically issue the concealed weapons' license to anyone over the age of 18, with limited exceptions (namely convicted felons or mentally ill persons).

The CWW letter submitted by Executive Director Daniel Gilmartin stated, "The seriousness of the issue will not allow us in good conscience to compromise the safety of any community. Public opinion strongly opposes any measures which would substantially increase the number of concealed weapons in our communities, especially in government and public buildings, schools, sports arenas, banks, licensed liquor establishments and retail outlets."

Gilmartin's letter added, "Asking the Secretary of State to become involved in what traditionally have been law enforcement matters is a step in the wrong direction."

The letter was co-signed by local mayors and other municipal officials.

## Thinning hair? Read this now!

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Once the rest phase is over, a new hair should grow and take the place of the previous hair. When these hairs don't grow and take the place of the previous hair, baldness occurs or thinning hair becomes evident.

Every time you shampoo, blow dry, perm, straighten, or dye your hair, you can damage it slightly. Harsh chemicals, such as those used in perms, shampoos and conditioners, can cause breaking of the hair. If the hair breaks often enough, the follicles eventually may not be able to produce normal hair again.

Compounding the problem is the fact that hair sprays, styling gels, and conditioners can leave a residue or buildup on the hair, scalp, and in open hair follicles. This build-up mixes with your own sebum, perspiration, and dead skin cells, creating an unhealthy scalp condition where bacteria flourish and inhibit the hair follicle's intake of oxygen, obstructing the hair's natural growth.

The **Natural Hairs** exclusive herbal formula deep cleanses the hair, scalp, and open hair follicles like no other shampoo or conditioner can.

The special herbal formula contains proteins that have a molecular structure *finer than water*, allowing it to penetrate and deep cleanse the hair cuticle, hair follicle and surface layers of the epidermis and scalp. Its natural emulsifiers go into action, breaking up and removing these residues, allowing the follicles to breathe and fight damaging build-up.

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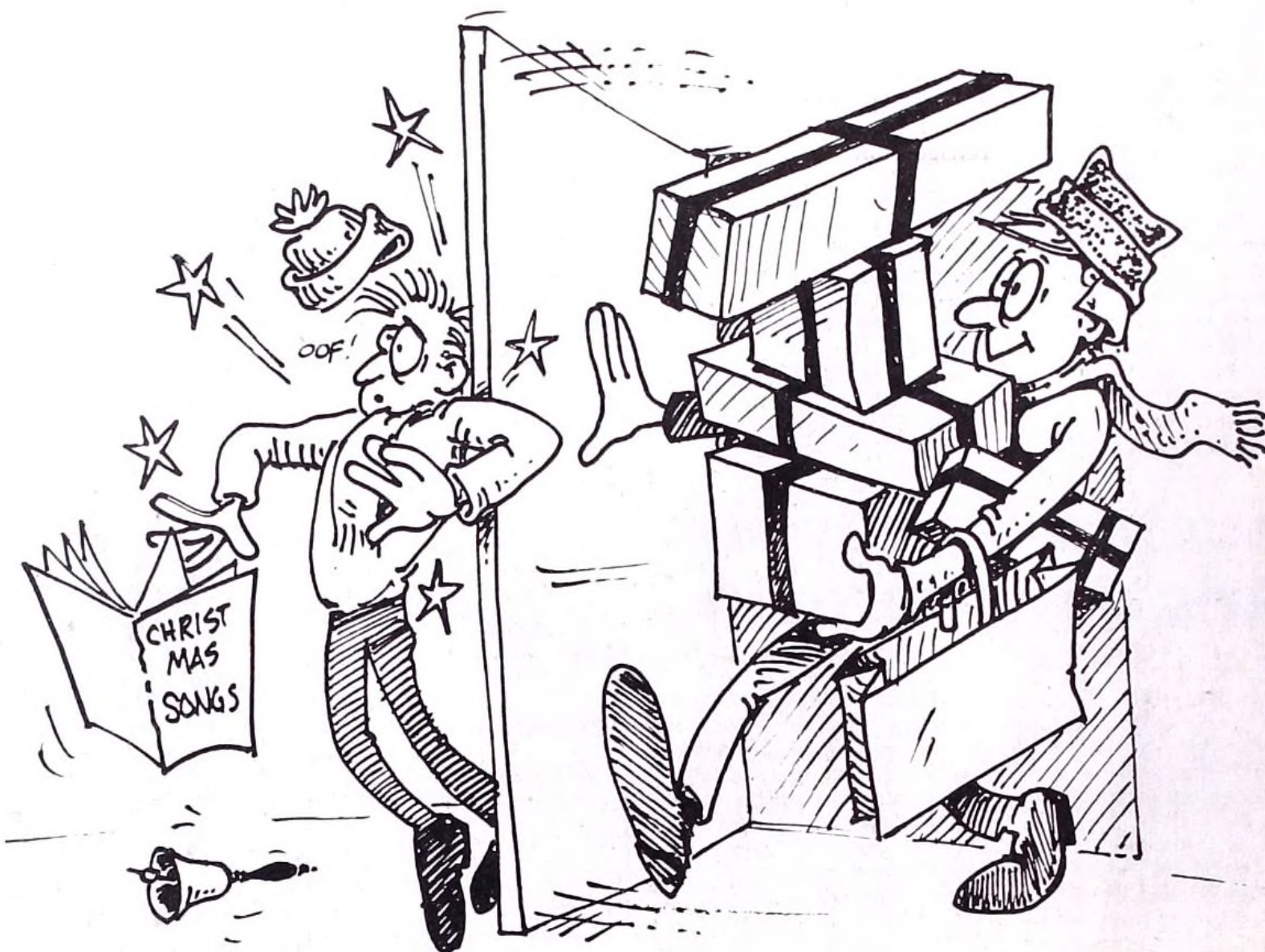
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HOLIDAY SPIRIT?

## Deep well opposed

To the editor:

I am writing you in the hopes you can prevent Environmental Disposal Systems, Inc. (E.D.S.) from drilling a new "test" well in the city of Romulus.

It sickens me to think that governmental agencies might grant E.D.S. the permission to drill another well in our City, when the previous "test" well is currently sitting idle while this issue is in litigation. How can the D.N.R. permit this to happen when very serious legal questions exist with the existing well?

E.D.S.'s track record from the start of this project has been poor and they have not been up front with the citizens of Romulus. Here are just a few examples:

- 1) There was never a notice of the proposed public hearing published in the official Romulus newspaper.
- 2) The documents to be reviewed were located in the Dearborn Public Library, not the Romulus Public Library.
- 3) Mr. Al Rarick while working for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR), prior to retiring, issued the permits for E.D.S. Mr. Al Rarick now works as a consulting expert for E.D.S.
- 4) E.D.S. did not appear in

front of the Romulus Planning Commission prior to constructing the well as required by City Ordinance.

5) E.D.S. never appeared before the Zoning Board of Appeals until forced by the Courts.

E.D.S. has repeatedly told City officials that the City has no jurisdiction over their planned development. To force E.D.S. to follow all zoning guidelines, as every other company in the City does, the City of Romulus was forced to take legal action. The Wayne County Circuit Court ruled the City does have the right to enforce its zoning ordinances. The Federal Court dismissed E.D.S.'s \$103 million lawsuit which was filed against myself, other Council Members, the Mayor and Building Department Director.

To date, the city of Romulus has spent more than \$427,653 in legal fees fighting an E.P.A. and D.N.R. permitted well and the case has not even gone to trial yet.

I question what this hazardous waste deep well will do to our City in 20, 30 or even 50 years from now. I question the close proximity to our residential neighborhoods and the means of transporting the hazardous waste by trucks and trains to the well site. It has been a common occurrence to read in the newspapers how cities have been evacuated because of leaking trucks or

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trains containing hazardous substances.

The city of Romulus has a grass roots organization called RECAP (Romulus Environmental Citizens Against Pollution) who oppose this well. They don't stand to make millions of dollars on this development like E.D.S. This small group only asks to live in their neighborhoods without fear, and with the hope that in the future, the halting of the well will prevent a negative impact on their community.

This Councilman is adamantly opposed to any commercial disposal well in this City or anywhere in this State! Companies should be recycling and reusing their waste not pumping it down into the ground.

In closing, I am asking for your help in preventing the drilling of another well until all issues have been decided in the Courts on the previous idle "test" well.

William Wadsworth  
Councilman  
Romulus

Editors' note: This letter was originally sent to Russ Harding, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

## Fraud warning

To the editor:

Citizens in your community — and across the nation — are potential victims of a growing number of telecommunication frauds. Some of your readers could lose thousands of dollars, their pensions, of their life savings.

Unscrupulous companies offering investment "opportunities" in telecommunications seem to come out of the woodwork whenever the FCC has a wireless service to license.

Because there are so many auctions for licenses to provide wireless services scheduled in the coming months the FCC, along with the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Federal Trade Commission, has embarked on a campaign to alert consumers to fraudulent investment schemes. The FCC also formed an anti-fraud task force to help address the problem.

Karen E. Watson  
Director, FCC  
Office of Public Affairs

## Donations sought

To the editor:

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul, currently celebrating 150 years of charity work, is proud to announce the introduction of a new ap-

proach to helping people in need. This innovative program is designed to raise funds through the donation of motorized vehicles.

Those individuals who participate in this program can benefit from a tax write-off and the spiritual reward that comes from giving and sharing.

If you would like more information or details about this donation program, please contact me at the Society of St. Vincent DePaul at (800) 309 AUTO (2886) or (313) 972-3100.

James R. Carron,  
Executive Director

Editor's note: After the disastrous fire in the society's Detroit warehouse last week, all kinds of help is needed to continue the charitable work of the organization.

## Wayne resident sought

To the editor:

I am attempting to locate an individual who lived in Wayne, Michigan in the early 1960s. I would appreciate your newspaper printing my letter. Maybe someone who knows the individual will contact me. So herewith:

I am attempting to locate Jeanne Hayward Weiss, formerly of 4315 Chamberlain Road, Wayne, Michigan. Weiss lived in Wayne during

the early 1960s. If any of your readers can help me in my search, please contact, Terry Isaacs, Associate Professor of History, Box 110 South Plains College, 1401 College Ave., Levelland, Texas 79338. Thank you for your consideration and time.

Terry Isaacs  
South Plains College  
Levelland, Texas

## College aids Goodfellows

To the editor:

The Western Campus of Wayne County Community College is proud to work in collaboration with the Belleville Goodfellows to provide Christmas Baskets for needy families during this holiday season. Our efforts would not have been possible without the help and support from local agencies and community residents who worked to raised funds by sponsoring a Halloween Party at the Western Campus.

Special thanks go the Friends of the Western Campus, Belleville Business and Professional Women's Organization, Van Buren Township Recreation Coordinator Sherri Satlowksi, Ace Hardware, the Belleville Kiwanis Club, Benito's Pizza, Big Boy Restaurants, Hungry

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**Mary Lou Rocha**  
Belleville Realtor  
A cruise to the Bahamas.



**Peggy Cranham**  
Van Buren Township  
Good health and to be with friends and family.



**Donna Clark**  
Van Buren trustee  
Golfing trip to Maui.



**Kathy McCollum**  
Belleville resident  
A maid — someone to keep my house clean all year.



# Letters

Continued from page A-6

Howie's, Bill Shower of Kowalski Meats, Randy Brown of the Gardener's Choice, Lucas Lawn Company, Little Caesar's Family Inn, Maria's Bakery, Meijer Stores, the NACS Bookstore, Precision Hardware, the Royce Hotel, UAW Locals 900 and 6000, the UAW-GM Center for Human Resources National Office, Main Street Florist, and Michael Callanan of WSDS Radio. As well, we extend appreciation to staff and students who worked tirelessly to ensure the success of this effort.

On behalf of Dr. Curtis Ivery, WCCC President and our Board of Trustees, we invite you to join with us in making a difference this holiday by donating non-perishable food items for Christmas Baskets at the Western Campus through Monday, December 18. With the support received so far, we know your response will be generous and demonstrative of the Western Wayne County community spirit.

We hope this will be a safe and joyous holiday season. We extend an open invitation to visit the Western Campus of Wayne County Community College during and after the holidays to examine the many ways we're working to truly "Make Education First" for you in 1996.

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Hattie L. Johnson, Ed.D.  
Provost, Western Campus

Thanks expressed

To the editor: 40021 J123456789  
Thank you...your re-  
sponse is appreciated.

membrance was most kind.  
Mary Ann Banks Family

## Safety tip given

To the editor:  
For adults, the coming holiday season will be marked more by parties than gifts. But entertaining is serious business, and anyone planning to host or attend a holiday party should consider the friends and neighbors with whom we share the road.

Promoting responsible drinking and safe driving during the holidays is everyone's responsibility.

So, if you plan to host a holiday party in the weeks ahead, clip this list and post it on the refrigerator.

- Ask your guest who among them will volunteer to be designated drivers.

- Always serve food with alcohol beverages. High-protein foods like cheese and meats help moderate the effects of alcohol.

- Don't force drinks on your guest.

- Make non-alcohol beverages available to your guest.

- Close the bar an hour before the party ends so your guests have a non-drinking period before driving home.

- If - despite your best efforts - someone has had too much to drink, arrange transportation home with another guest, drive the person yourself, call a cab, or ask your guest to spend the night. Do not let that person drive home.

When these holiday reminders are kept top of mind, we give our friends and family the best of all: a safe and prosperous 1996.

perous 1996.

Bill Bailey  
Director of Marketing  
Central Distributors of Beer, Inc.

## Minors' work bill opposed

To the editor:  
Those who care about fundamental fairness for children will want to voice their opposition to a bill that has moved through both chambers of the legislature without much public notice. Senate Bill 542 amends Michigan's child labor laws to allow 16 and 17 year olds to work up to 11 hours per day and up to 62 hours per week in Michigan food processing plants without any rights to be paid the state minimum wage of \$3.35/hour or to be paid time-and-a-half for overtime over 40 hours of work.

The bill was introduced by State Senator George McManus, Republican of Traverse City on behalf of the food processing industry. Promoted as a way "to cut paperwork," the bill also waives the food processors' obligation to file for a waiver with the Michigan Department of Labor in order to employ minors. Current law allows 16 and 17 year olds to work up to 48 hours per week for food processors. Adults employed by the food processors are entitled to be paid at least \$3.35/hour and time-and-a-half for overtime.

I urge readers to write or call the Governor to voice your opposition to SB 542.

Karen Willard  
State Rep. 82nd District

# Empowerment New powers' both good, bad

By Stewart L. Tubbs,  
College of Business dean  
Eastern Michigan University

A recent scandal at Daiwa Bank in Tokyo was caused, according to one source, by too much empowerment which had eliminated some of the checks and balances that had previously been in effect. The result was the loss of \$1.1 billion due to unauthorized trades.

In another example, employees who were empowered to make daily work schedule decisions chose to schedule their flex time to maximize their own convenience which caused a reduction in their availability to customers. These examples raise a thorny issue since so many organizations are moving toward increasing employee empowerment. Is this the right thing to do? The answer is yes (and no).

Clearly, there are many arguments in favor of increasing employee empowerment. More creative energy is unleashed, and cycle times are reduced due to decisions being made closer to the action. Greater employee involvement tends to reduce absenteeism, grievances, turnover, and most of all improvement in the quality of products and services.

Then why is there any diffi-

## Guest Editorial

culty? The difficulty comes in the myriad of situational contingencies surrounding specific decisions to be made. For example, some companies have attempted to implement empowerment programs with little or no employee training. It is like throwing a non-swimmer into the deep end of the pool to learn to swim. Any of us put in a situation without adequate training or preparation is likely to fail. This sometimes leads to management frustration since some managers don't believe in empowerment in the first place.

Empowerment has four parts:

**Authority:** In order to be empowered, employees have to have the authority to decide. This is the most basic definition of empowerment.

**Resources:** Second, employees cannot act upon their ideas unless they are given sufficient resources to act. One work group came up with the idea of adding a hydraulic hoist lift to help shipping clerks lift heavy boxes. The company's management liked the idea, but lacked the tens of

thousands of dollars to purchase the hoist lift.

**Information:** Third, if employees are not provided sufficient information they are likely to fail in their attempts to make effective decisions. Some organizations have installed computer terminals around the plant to allow employees to have more up to date information. In fact, Westinghouse reportedly put numerical key pads in their meeting rooms and each person enters his or her salary into the computer as they enter the room. When the meeting begins, the computer starts a continuous readout of the cost of the salaries of the people in that meeting. They reported that they cut their meeting times in half when people realized more specifically how much their conversations were costing. So information is empowering.

**Accountability:** Clearly, all of us need to be held accountable for the decisions we make.

Finally, the most important element in empowerment is the relationship between the employees and their leaders. If employees are eager to do their best, and their leaders encourage and support that attitude, empowerment will flourish. If either part of this equation is lacking, empowerment will just be a fad.

## Snow, cold slated for days ahead

Mostly cloudy skies and possible snow showers are forecast for today with highs in the mid-20s and lows in the teens.

Snow showers are possible again Friday and Saturday, with continued extremely cold conditions with highs in the 20s and lows in the teens.

Mall shopping once again will be recommended for Western Wayne residents as Christmas comes marching forward at a record clip.

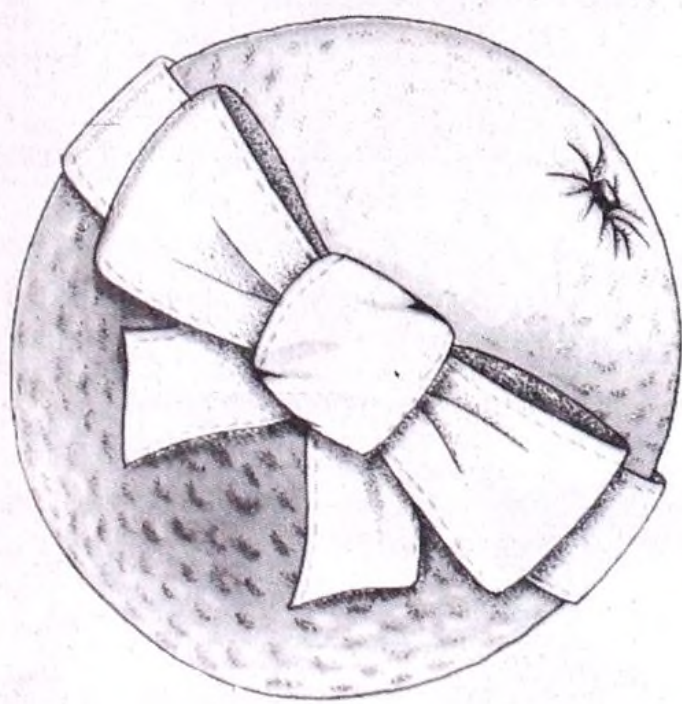
**Thursday**  
Cloudy, snow showers  
**Friday**  
Continued cold, snow

showers

**Saturday**

**Ditto**  
**Weatherman Al's tip:** Stocking up on anti-ice pellets for your front walk and porch and kitty litter for your car trunk would be economical safety concepts.

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# Bennett's proposal seeks to change school elections

By IVAN HELFMAN  
MCN Staff Writer

Led by State Sen. Loren Bennett (Canton-R), a group of former municipal clerks turned state legislators are challenging the ability of Michigan school boards to control their own elections.

However, school boards and powerful school employees' unions oppose the reform.

"We should have the control, not the state's representatives and senators," said Jere Dolph, Van Buren School Board president.

Since 1920, school boards have been able to pick the time and place of their elections. By holding school board elections in unfamiliar places and by not scheduling them on the November ballot, some school boards have been able to virtually eliminate public participation, with the exception of school employees, a fair amount of tax protesters, a limited number of parents, and a smattering of civic-minded people.

**"I want to provide more accountability and more control by putting elections in the hands of tax payers, where they belong."**

**- Loren Bennett**

The disenfranchisement has been so effective in the Van Buren School District that less than 600 votes were cast in the June 1995 school board election. Martha Toth and Karl Gorman were reelected with less than 300 votes each.

This compares to the 11,870 Belleville, Sumpter, and Van Buren residents who voted in the November 1994 election for state representative -- almost 2,000 percent more.

With more than 23,000 registered voters in the area, 97.5 percent didn't vote.

To correct the statewide disenfranchisement, which had been introduced in 1920, Bennett has introduced legislation in the senate to limit most elections in Michigan to three days: the November election

day, the August primary day, and an undetermined day in April. Exceptions would only be made for recall and vacancy-filling elections.

"As far as controlling the elections, the schools will be out," said Bennett. "I want to provide more accountability and more control by putting elections in the hands of tax payers, where they belong."

Cutting out the schools' administration of their elections would eliminate the money wasted on duplication of election facilities, employees, paperwork, and equipment, he said.

Bennett became sensitive to the disenfranchisement when he served as Canton Township's clerk and he ran all elections but the schools.

"People were always complaining to me that there were so many elections that they had a hard time keeping track of them," he said. "People expected to vote in November. My proposal will diminish the confusion."

Bennett's proposal would permit voters to vote at the same place. Many voters are so used to their general election precincts that they get lost when they try to vote in a school election.

"People were so confused when they tried to find the polling place in Van Buren's October 1995 bond election that many couldn't vote. I can name three or four examples," said Lou Kovach, a former bond opposition leader.

Dolph explained why Van Buren's school board opposes the reforms.

"Municipalities have enough elections now," he said. Michigan's municipalities handle 5 million voters.

"They can't handle their

own elections because they can't get people to man the voting booths and count the ballots," he continued. "Control of school elections should remain in the districts."

But Rep. Bob Brackenridge (Berrien-R), a former county clerk who is sponsoring the house version of the reforms, said that school boards may come on board the reform bandwagon now that school financing is no longer dependent on millage elections.


Before voters approved a 1994 sales tax increase dedi-

cated to financing education, cash strapped school boards relied heavily on millage elections for revenue. No wonder they insisted on controlling the millage elections, which they were allowed to hold every 30 days.

Bennett believes that the reforms would have never been proposed before voters enacted term limits in Michigan.

"The value of term limits is that legislators are no longer afraid of to tackle unpopular issues for reasons of preserving their jobs," he said.

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# Karaoke

## Sing-alongs are alive, well in Belleville

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER  
MCN Managing Editor

Karaoke is a "family affair" on Friday nights in Belleville. That's the evening that Billy Manning of Romulus sets up his Fun Time Karaoke at the Moose Lodge 934, and the young and old and those in between sign up to sing their favorite tunes.

"Country tunes are the most popular. I think it's because they are easy to sing," said Manning. "Also, the line between country music and other tunes has changed -- a lot of country music is now sung by popular artists."

"The most popular karaoke song here is *You Never Even Call Me By My Name*. It's kind of an unofficial song of the lodge, and everybody joins in when it's played," Manning said.

The amusing lyrics have been dubbed as the "ultimate country song."

Manning said the second most popular karaoke tune is *Friends in Low Places*.

"After that, it's about any tune that you can think of. Some of the singers pick out the 'oldies' or ones that were



Rusty Kwiecinski

popular when they were young. Others, just have a sentimental attachment to a song," Manning said.

Folks gather around the big-screen monitor where the song is dramatized and the lyrics are printed and often sing along with the performers -- sometimes quietly and sometimes boisterously.

A song book lists the selection of tunes, and, after carefully thumbing through the pages, the singers select the songs they will perform and hand their lists to Manning.

On a recent Friday night, Andi Baker belted out a few

country tunes with a voice that sounds as good as some of the popular record-makers. Soon after, white-haired Rusty Kwiecinski sang a mellow rendition of *Swing Low, Sweet Chariot*.

Then, Frank Stidham took the microphone and crooned another country tune, followed by young Dana Chubb singing *The Night the Lights Went Out in Georgia*.

Carol Mechinski and Mary Ellen Buckle, who said they rarely perform at the karaoke, sang a duet of *Que Sera, Que Sera*, the Doris Day tune of several years ago.

Keith Bruder checked over the song book with Dana Chubb to find a suitable song, while his "fans" called for his

popular presentation of *The Lion Sleeps Tonight*, done with friend Ernie Knust and the back-up singing of the Kei-thettes.

Finally, Ted Marker and 6-year-old B.J. Skaggs sang a resounding rendition of *Heart-break Hotel*.

Manning, who sings a pretty good country tune himself, usually performs a few songs, and, at times, his wife, Becky, and her sister, Brenda Stidham, do a duet.

All during the evening, the genial Manning teased the reluctant ones to the mike, encouraged the shy ones and congratulated the efforts of all -- the good, the average and the out-of-tune. After all, karaoke is "fun time."



Andi Baker puts her heart into a love song. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner



B.J. Skaggs belts out a 'mean' country tune for a 6-year-old. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner

### CITY OF INKSTER ABSTRACT REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The City Council met at 7:35 p.m. in the Council Chambers on Monday, December 4, 1995. Present: Councilpersons Harris-Foster, Hendricks, Hampton, Collieran, James and Mayor Bivens. ABSENT: Councilman Clemens.

CONSENT Calendar items approved: Minutes of 11/20/95; Payments of \$2,519.65 to Wade-Trim and \$1,539 to The Senior Alliance; request to hold 27th Annual Memorial Day Parade on 5/27/96. APPOINTED James Milledge to the Downtown Development Authority. REQUESTED Wayne County DPS to close Inkster Road between Cherry Hill and South River Park Drive on 5/27/96 for the Memorial Day Parade. DIRECTED Planning Commission to hold Public Hearing on proposed zoning amendments. APPROVED payment of \$328.30 to Court Funding Litigation Escrow Account regarding the Class Action Suite against the State. ADOPTED resolution supporting the efforts of Wayne County Neighborhood Legal Services to continue a full service legal center in Inkster. DENIED the following offers to purchase City-owned properties (vacant lots): \$800 from Charles Wright; \$1 from Robert Penn; and \$328 from Phyllis Campbell Walker. MEETING adjourned at 8:55 p.m. (Full text available upon request).

Delphine G. Oden, CMC  
Inkster City Clerk

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### CITY OF WESTLAND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A request for special approval has been presented to the Westland Planning Commission for the following item:

#1909, Special Land Use Approval for Proposed Cellular One Antenna Tower on Portion of Parcel #014-99-0020-001, West Side of Wayne Road, South of Joy Road, NW-4, Matthew A. Gibb (Nancy Jankowiak).

Zoning of Property: OB-2 (High-Intensity Office)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing of the City of Westland Planning Commission will be held in the City Hall, 36601 Ford Road, Westland, Michigan, at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, January 4, 1996.

Written comments may be sent to the Westland Planning Department at 37095 Marquette Avenue, Westland, Michigan - 48185.



Joseph M. Eadeh, Chairman  
WESTLAND PLANNING COMMISSION

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The history of the development of Haddon Sundblom's Coca-Cola Santa Claus can now be enjoyed in the *Michigan History* magazine November/December edition. Val Berryman, who conducted an extensive research for the story, said although Sundblom enjoyed drawing the Coca Cola Santa Claus for more than 30 years, he didn't care for the soda pop. MCN Special Photo

## Jolly 'ole' St. Nick

## History of Coca Cola Santa Claus creator unwrapped

By MARGO DEWEY  
MCN News Editor

What does Santa Claus really look like?

For most of us we picture a chubby man with a jolly face, long snowy beard and glistening deep blue eyes.

But, for one Michigan artist, Kris Kringle resembles his neighbor, and he made the image so lifelike and lovable that it has been adored by millions of people throughout the world for more than 60 years.

Recently the story of how the Coca-Cola Santa evolved was brought to life by Val Berryman, a collector of Christmas paraphernalia and admirer of Haddon Hubbard Sundblom's Coca-Cola Claus creations, in *Michigan History* magazine.

"In order to gather the research for this story, I worked with the director of Coca-Cola archives and went to the Michigan State University library to get the background of Haddon Sundblom," said Berryman.

Berryman found that almost every year, from 1931 to 1964, Sundblom painted new illustrations of Santa Claus for Coca-Cola's holiday print advertising campaigns.

It was in 1925 at the age of 26 when Sundblom and two

friends opened their own Chicago advertising agency with Sundblom acting as the artistic director.

Throughout the years he created some of the nation's best-known advertising images: the Quaker Oats man, the Cream of Wheat man and Aunt Jemima, according to Berryman.

"I think one of the most surprising things I find out about him through my research is that he worked with Coca-Cola for many years, but he didn't like the taste of Coke," said Berryman. "He enjoyed his work and loved painting Santa Claus."

Berryman said Sundblom was the youngest of nine children. After his mother died when he was only 13, he decided to go to Chicago.

"He worked office jobs with several contractors," Berryman said. "Eventually he attended night classes in art and architecture with the intention of becoming an architect."

When Sundblom turned 19, Berryman said he made his mind up to become an artist.

"He attended classes at the Art Institute of Chicago and the American Academy of Art," said Berryman. "In 1920 he earned an apprenticeship with Charles Everett Johnson

where he not only ran errands but also watched artists working and studied their techniques."



Val Berryman (left), curator of history for the Michigan State University Museum organizes many Santa Claus/Christmas exhibits at various malls including the Meridian Mall in Okemos. MCN Special Photo

After opening his own agency in 1925, Sundblom eventually worked his way to setting the pattern and style for Coca-Cola's advertising, according to Berryman.

"When he started creating Santa Claus, he originally used his neighbor Lou Prentice," said Berryman. "After the death of Lou, Haddon then used his own face after a recommendation from his friend."

Sundblom developed various themes each Christmas for Santa Claus which included the Kris Kringle carrying war bonds in his sack during World War II.

Berryman said he found out through his research that Sundblom often worked alone in his eighth floor studio on Michigan Avenue in Chicago, and he never adhered to a set schedule.

"He would work four hours one day and then 16 or 20 another day," said Berryman.

Inducted into the Illustrators Hall of Fame in 1987, Sundblom's last two Santa Claus creations were completed in 1964 after Coca-Cola decided



The various Haddon Sundblom pieces are displayed in various Coca-Cola exhibitions throughout the year, according to Val Berryman. MCN Special Photo

to concentrate its advertising dollars in television instead of print media.

He died, according to Berryman, while painting a portrait of Christ.

"Still to this day when I think of Santa Claus, the only picture that comes into my mind is the one that Haddon Sundblom created," said Berryman. "I know it is also in the minds of children of all ages

throughout the world."

Berryman, who is a curator of history at the Michigan State University museum, likes the image of Santa Claus so much himself that he has an extensive collection of Kris Kringle figures from all over the world, and a wide variety of miscellaneous Christmas items.

Many of my items are in displays during the holidays at malls.



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## Newest player on block beats champ

By TOM MOORADIAN  
MCN Staff Writer

The newest player on the block may just be the best player in the Mega Conference Red Division.

Dearborn and senior point-guard Kevin Kreger sent a message via an impressive 75-54 victory over defending conference co-champs, Belleville, that the Tigers are a serious player in the league.

"They (Dearborn) have a fine team," said Belleville coach Michael Garland after the Tigers suffered their first setback of the current campaign. "And Kreger can hurt

you in so many ways. He can drive and pass. He's just an outstanding all-around player."

The loss evened Belleville's overall record to 1-1 on the young season. However, it kicked off the conference season and it was also the first meeting ever in the Red Division between the two teams.

Kreger, a 6-2 sharpshooter and deft ballhandler, sank three treys in collecting a game high 31 points as two Tiger defenders unsuccessfully attempted to stop him. The responsibility to neutralizing Kreger went to Ian Gold, then Sam Reed, but Kreger found a

**"And Kreger can hurt you in so many ways. He can drive and pass. He's just an outstanding all-around player."**

**-Belleville Coach Michael Garland.**

way to get around the outstanding Belleville athletes.

Playing on the Pioneer hardwood, the Tigers failed to adjust to the new environs as Dearborn quickly cashed in on several defensive mismatches to run up a 20-9 first-period lead.

With Kreger leading the charge, Dearborn continued to crush any Belleville attempt of

a comeback. The Tigers managed to handle the Tigers' full-court press, and allowed Belleville to shoot from three-point range, while taking away their inside game.

At halftime, Belleville was looking at an incredible 35-18 deficit. No team in recent years has humiliated a Garland-coached club as did Dearborn Friday night.

Dearborn, a dominate force a year ago in the White Division in the three-tier (Red, White and Blue) Mega Conference was given the green light to move into the Red Division, the toughest of the three divisions, this season.

Although Garland managed to make some adjustments during the halftime the Tigers never got within 10 of their newest rivals. Dearborn outscored Belleville 16-14 in the third period and increased the margin with a 25-15 scoring advantage during the final eight minutes of the confrontation.

Belleville's Eric Summers continued to shine as he

pumped in 18 points and gathered nine rebounds. But the Tigers' long-range artillery was way off target during all of the first-half as Belleville failed to find the mark in their 14 attempts from the three-point stripe.

Garland was obviously disappointed with the loss, but vowed his team would be back.

"We'll be O.K.," said the veteran Belleville coach. "Things like this happen, and I am glad we got it out of our system. We will use this as a growing experience. We will be ready."

Belleville will travel to

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## Wayne runs wild at Romulus

By TOM MOORADIAN  
MCN Staff Writer

Much-maligned Wayne Memorial got down to the serious business of defending their share of the Mega Conference, Red Division hoops title.

Coach Chuck Henry and his Zebras destroyed Romulus 89-74 Friday night in their first-ever meeting in the Mega Conference.

The defending co-champs got a pair of sterling performances from junior captain Lorenzo Guess and Rodney Hurst, who wasted little time in establishing the tempo of the game and Wayne's superiority in the game.

It was Wayne's fast pace and experience that Romulus couldn't cope with that helped lead to their demise, according to Romulus coach Guy DelGiudice.

"Wayne pressured us with their full-court press and forced us to play their style of game," DelGiudice said. "We just couldn't handle it. They have an excellent team - no doubt about it."

The loss snapped a modest Romulus three-game winning streak. Earlier in the week, the Eagles chalked up No. 3 at the expense of Bishop Borgess, 63-58.

But it was the Wayne game that the Eagles coveted. But couldn't get.

Wayne, with Guess and Hurst connecting from three-point range, jumped to a 22-14 first-period margin, widened their advantage before the halfway mark to 49-29 before coasting to their third win against one setback.

Hurst sank six treys and finished with a game-high 28



After an image-shattering loss to Plymouth-Canton in their opener, Wayne Memorial has bounced back and strung together three consecutive victories. The Zebras, led by junior captain Lorenzo Guess (22), shown in a playoff game a year ago, have returned to stride and began the defense of their conference title with an easy victory over Romulus. Guess collected 19 points against the Eagles.

points, one point more than Romulus' Cliff Stewart.

Guess is getting back into the form that fueled Wayne's drive to the Class A state quarterfinals a year ago. He scored 19 points and had a dozen assists against Romulus.

With a 20-point cushion at the half, Wayne coach Chuck Henry had an opportunity to use everyone on the bench. Wayne widened the margin to 30-points with a 26-16 scoring edge in the third quarter.

Romulus got an outstanding effort from Stewart whose 27 points included a pair of three-pointers. Stewart also swept the boards for eight rebounds. Teammate Brandon Deyampert chipped in 18 points and had nine rebounds.

Romulus appeared ready for the Wayne showdown after a come-from-behind 63-58 victory over a highly-regarded Bishop Borgess club earlier in the week. Down most of the first half - Romulus trailed 18-12 and

33-24 after the first two periods. The Eagles rallied behind Stewart and Deyampert who led a second-half surge that overcame the deficit.

Romulus closed the gap to 46-42 after three periods, then went on to outscore their visitors 21-12 in the final eight minutes to pick up their third straight win.

Stewart collected 11 of his 17 points in the final period, while Deyampert, a promising sophomore, sank 20 points and also nabbed 10 rebounds. Sean Dick, whose three-pointer gave the Eagles' the lead for the first time in the game (47-46) in the fourth quarter, accounted for nine points. Lewis Atkins also checked in with nine points.

The Eagles had their problems at the free throw line against Borgess. They capitalized on 12 of 25, while Borgess made six of 14. Borgess received 17 points from 6-4 senior Vincent Calloway and Jerome Ross, a 6-1 guard, added 17.

## 5 gold medals

## Inkster is 2nd-best on Rouge mats

By TOM MOORADIAN  
MCN Staff Writer

Inkster wrestlers and coach Sam Ellis parlayed five gold medals and a silver into a second-place trophy at the eight-team River Rouge Invitational staged over the weekend in the downriver high school's gym.

Ellis' Vikings came within five points of upsetting tournament favorite, Wyandotte, for the top perch. Wyandotte is a perennial Class A power in wrestling. The Bruins are affiliated with the Mega Conference.

"We voided three weight classes," said Ellis. "If we had filled those categories, I am certain that the outcome of this meet may have been different."

"But, believe me, I am satisfied with the end results. These kids wrestled their hearts out and the results reflect their performances."

Wyandotte walked off the mats with the first-place trophy thanks to a team point total of 167. Inkster was second-best with 162, followed by: Clarenceville-151; Lake Shore-122; Willow Run-119; River Rouge-117; Oak Park-94 and Highland Park-53.

The Vikings were forced to forfeit in the 112, 172 and 215 weight classes because they had no wrestlers in those weights.

Inkster captured a gold medal when 119-pounder Anthony Melchor defeated Lake Shore's Matt Glass, 11-3. He also remains unde-

**"These kids wrestled their hearts out and the results reflect their performances."**

**-Sam Ellis**

feated this year. Teammate Makimba Mimms also came away with the gold after pinning Lake Shore's Jeff Polet in 1:32 for a victory in the 130-pound finals.

Inkster also won the 140-pound class thanks to freshman Keith Jackson's performance. He carved out a 5-2 victory over Rouge's Moses Allen. In the bout for the 152-pound gold, it was Inkster's Darwin Baker who prevailed over Clarenceville's Craig Rose. Baker pinned Rose in 4:15.

Kevin Jackson, Keith's older brother, won a close 5-4 decision over Wyandotte's Michael Candela.

Inkster also had a finalist in Juajuan Gould, who settled for a silver medal after losing by a fall in 2:28 to Rouge's Mike Cagle. The Vikings boasted two bronze medalists in Marlon Franklin (145) and Sharell Owens (160). Lynwood Neal, a 103-pounder, also received a fifth-place medal after winning his consolation match.

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## Ex-stars return for alumni meet

By TOM MOORADIAN  
MCN Staff Writer

Former Wayne Memorial and Belleville high school swimming and diving stars will return to their pools during the holidays to compete in the traditional Alumni Swimming & Diving Meets.

"We're planning to have former members of the women and men's team at our meet," said Belleville High's George Devore, whose team's 1995 debut was delayed when New Boston Huron informed the Tiger coach that the Chiefs would not be fielding a team this year.

The Tigers will start their bid for a third consecutive title in 1996 when they take on Taylor Truman in Taylor on Jan. 9. Belleville is the two-time defending Mega Conference, White Division champ.

"This annual (alumni) meet is very popular around here. It brings back many of our former swimmers. The meet also helps stimulate interest in the sport, and our kids have an opportunity to meet some of the swimmers who set or helped set many of the records that are on the board. It is really a good experience."

Wayne will stage its Alumni Meet at 7 p.m. on Dec. 28.

Wayne is attempting to regroup from years of pay-to-participate. Soliciting donations from the students to help defray the cost of the sport

**"We're planning to have former members of the women and men's team at our meet."**

**-George Devore**

simultaneously took its toll from the number who came out for the sport.

The ranks have thinned considerably over recent years because of a pay-to-participate policy.

The school district collected a participation fee from athletes who decided they wanted to compete in the sport.

The pay-to-participate policy was shelved last year when voters in the Wayne-Westland School District approved a millage increase which, in part, helped finance varsity athletics.

The Wayne alumni will be back in the pool next Thursday to take on coach Mike Greuber's squad which has a lineup of less than 10 swimmers.

"The program is on the rebound and we're hopeful that there will be more swimmers out for the team," said Bill Hawley, Wayne Memorial athletic director. "Wayne has an excellent tradition in the sport. The kids are working hard to be competitive in the sport."

## Plymouth-Salem continues to slip

By TOM MOORADIAN  
MCN Staff Writer

Although it isn't a rare malaise and can be found in the *Hoops Medical Journals* listed under turnovers, Plymouth-Salem coach Bob Brodie can't seem to find the remedy for his players.

Last week the Rocks committed what had to be a school record 36 turnovers in losing to a so-so Southfield High team. And the infection spread on the road, in Ann Arbor where they suffered a 67-40 setback.

Salem also dropped a 77-58 decision to Ypsilanti earlier in the week.

Atypical to Salem, which has been a power in the Western Lakes hoops circles, Rock

**"But it's not only the turnovers. We are not rebounding, or blocking out or shooting well."**

**-Bob Brodie**

coach Bob Brodie points to the team's inexperience as one of the reasons for the ailment.

"We are not playing well," said Brodie, who pointed to the stat sheet where his team committed two-dozen turnovers in their loss to Huron's River Rats. "But it's not only the turnovers. We are not rebounding, or blocking out or shooting well."

What else is left, coach?

"That's the point. We aren't doing anything well. We're going to have to return to

the fundamentals."

Although Salem stayed close (10-8) in the first period, Huron outscored the Rocks 21-4 in the second frame that all but sank them. Salem trailed 31-12 after the initial half and never recovered.

Moreover, it was the first time in recent years that Salem failed to place at least one of its players into the double-figure scoring column. The closest the Rocks got was a pair of eight-point contributions from Ryan Andrzejewski

and Andrez Lopez.

Huron put three players in double figures: Djuan Turil had 13, while Hassim Milligan and Luke Pavlin each sank 10 points.

In searching for the right chemistry, Brodie shuffled his lineup for the Ypsi game and, despite more scoring output from Lopez and Nate Gray, Salem fell behind 45-28 at the half before losing their third, 77-58.

Lopez's 16 points stood up as high for the game. Gray, recovering from a football injury, added 12.

The Braves' top scorer was Steve Patton, who drilled in 14 points.



Off to their worst start in recent years, veteran Plymouth-Salem coach Bob Brodie faces a challenge of finding a cure for a team that suffers from excessive turnovers. MCN Special Photo



# At Franklin's expense, Glenn gets first big win

## Rockets invited to Classic

By TOM MOORADIAN  
MCN Staff Writer

Westland John Glenn did it their way, but it wasn't easy. After two frustrating attempts to break into the victory column, coach Mike Schuette's Rockets finally locked in on a victory, shooting down Livonia Franklin, 62-51, in a Western Lakes crossover game Friday night.

Schuette was the first to admit it wasn't pretty, but "it was

a victory that went into our "W" column."

The veteran coach described the first win, using a smile: "It was like getting the monkey off our backs. These kids have been working hard. We just didn't have anything to show for it until now. We really needed that win."

Schuette has been waiting for someone to step in and fill the huge void created by 6-11 Guy Rucker's graduation. Rucker is stuffing baskets in Iowa these days, and his former teammates obviously don't have someone who can sweep the boards like the All-State center did for the past three years.

One player, Albert Jones, who the Rockets have placed the onus to carry the team, was literally given the boot during

a gym class and isn't 100 percent. Jones apparently sustained a thigh injury during the class, and the talented all-around athlete has seen limited duty until he recovers.

Glenn jumped on Franklin early, bolting to a 16-2 lead in the first four minutes of their game as Jon Becher, a 6-5 center, and Dave Jarrett came through with five and four points.

However, center Matt Bauman's tap-ins brought Franklin back into the game and the Rockets' inability to stop the junior pivotman made the game close right down to the final minutes.

The Patriots trailed by eight (30-22) going into the third quarter. When they attempted to thwart Glenn's inside game with a zone defense, Jones

moved in and came up with a couple of big buckets. Glenn never relinquished the lead, although Franklin refused to quit.

Jarrett had his best night of the young season as he drilled in a game-high 21 points. Becher finished with 14 points and Jones added 10.

Bauman led the Patriots with 15.

Earlier in the week, Ann Arbor Huron outscored Glenn 21-7 in the final period to seal a 73-52 victory, handing the Westlanders their second straight setback.

Glenn trailed by three (13-10) after the first period. Huron widened the gap to 10 points by outscoring their visitors 21-14 in the second stanza despite a fantastic three-point shot by Glenn's Brad Wilde

who made the trey as he fell out of bounds just past the half court mark.

Wilde finished with eight points for the evening. Jones' 13 stood up as the best of the Rockets, who had problems at the free throw line where they cashed in on 10 of 17 opportunities.

The Westlanders were on the hardwood Tuesday night, closing out the home phase of the 1995 season against South Lyon.

Glenn will return to the annual "Superintendent's Classic", hosted by the Detroit Public Schools' Superintendent of Schools, Dr. David Snead. The Rockets will play the 6 p.m. game on Dec. 27 against Detroit Mumford in the Cobo Arena.

In the first game of the Clas-



Mike Schuette

sic, at 4 p.m. Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook plays Detroit Northern, while at 8 p.m., Detroit Southwestern clashes with Ferndale.

"We're very pleased that they have invited us back for this invitational," said Schuette. "Playing at the Cobo Arena is a good experience for our players."

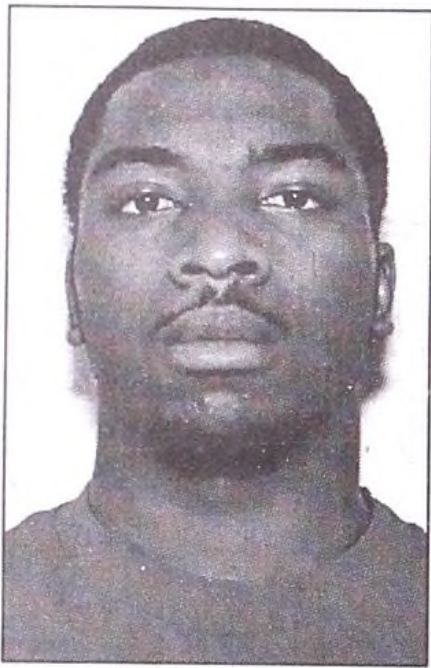
## Champs

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Toledo Scott on Friday to take on one of the top high school teams in Ohio. Next week, the Tigers will pack up their suitcases for their traditional holiday trip north to compete in the Benton Harbor Holiday Invitational.

The Tigers drew the hosts, Benton Harbor, in the first round of the tournament that will get underway Dec. 29. In the other bracket, Detroit Cass Tech and Detroit Denby square off to see which will play for the championship.

The championship will be decided Dec. 30.



Eric Summers

## White is double-trouble for Cleveland

Inkster's Albert White spelled double-trouble for Cleveland State.

White, who led Inkster High to back-to-back Suburban Athletic Conference basketball championships during the 1994-95 seasons, scored in doubled figures and also picked off 10 rebounds in helping the Wolverines bury Cleveland State, 84-55, earlier this week.

He also said that the switch from prep to collegiate hoops "wasn't that bad."

But he was "bad news" Monday night for Cleveland State as the 6-5 University of Michigan forward came up with his

*White did a nice job for us at both ends. He was consistent in both halves.*

-Steve Fisher

first double of his collegiate career, collecting 21 points and hustling 10 rebounds in the Wolverines' easy victory over the Crusaders.

Injury-plagued Michigan forced coach Steve Fisher to call on all of his reserves over the weekend and on Monday to keep the Wolverine cage ma-

chine rolling. Michigan has now won seven straight and is boasting a 9-2 overall record.

"White did a nice job for us at both ends," said Fisher. "He was consistent in both halves."

In his 26 minutes of work, White not only managed to score his first collegiate dou-

ble, he also carded five steals, two of them leading to easy baskets.

White said later that he is comfortable as a Wolverine and that the transition from prep to collegiate player has not been as rough as he expected.

"I just have to remain focused and play smart," the former All-Area cager added.

Michigan will get six days of rest, according to Fisher, then travel to Nevada-Las Vegas where the Wolverines will play in the UNLV Holiday Classic. The tournament begins Dec. 28.

## Title

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Ellis said that if the Vikings are to be successful in the stretch he must find wrestlers for the three weight classes they voided.

"We also need wrestlers in those weights if we are going to successfully defend our title,"

Ellis said.

Inkster is the defending Suburban Athletic Conference champ. Because Oak Park has left the league and Robichaud has decided to compete as an independent while Willow Run is also searching for another league for next year, this may be the last SAC campaign.

"And we would like to win it (the final title) if we can," Ellis said.

## Pro wrestling comes to Westland

Pro wrestling came to Westland last week.

And, some 300 diehard wrestling fans turned up at the Wayne Ford Civic Center to usher in what director Richard A. Seeger hopes to be a new era.

"We hope to offer Great Lakes Wrestling at the summer Westland Festival," said

Seeger. "Our residents obviously like the sport. Right from the opening bell the crowds roared and cheered their favorites."

Seeger said that the Great Lakes Wrestling card will return to the Wayne Ford Civic League facility on Jan. 12 with a triple main event. Dlo Brown

and Punisher Rock Stevens will clash for the GLW heavyweight title.

In last week's action in Westland, Steve Nixon defeated Reckless Youth and Calavera Cortez pinned Handsome Mike Lagacy in the two light heavyweight tournament matches.

In the heavyweight matches, the 450-pound Judge Dred was counted out of the ring in his match with Punisher Rock Body Stevens as they are both tag team partners and on the advice from their manager, Gideon Wainwright, refused to wrestle.

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# Big 10 football, a fabulous fall for Northwestern

By Kelly Chorbagian  
MCN Special Writer

College football is an institution in the Midwest. Being so close to the University of Michigan, Wolverine football is a passion held by many living in the Wayne area.

Five years ago, when I decided to apply to Northwestern University, the first words out of most people's mouths was, "Northwestern? Hah! I guess you're not going there for football."

Even during the '95 Wheel-fest parade as I was taking my last reign as Miss Wayne, an

old teacher of mine yelled, "Hey Kelly, can't wait to see what happens to Northwestern when they play Michigan."

Okay, let's talk about that game. It happened to fall on my birthday, and I must say it was a wonderful birthday gift. Clad in my purple and white, in a sea of maize and blue, I cheered my Wildcats on to... you guessed it, victory. Yes, we beat the almighty Wolverines.

That is pretty much how the entire season went. Once the doormat of the Big Ten, the Wildcats went on to earn themselves a Big Ten Championship, and a bowl game for the

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*We've been described as a Cinderella team. It doesn't look like a Cinderella team out there to me.*

- Gary Barnett

first time since Harry Truman was in the White House.

Each game brought an unprecedented sold-out stadium and the rush of thousands of students onto the field after

western" became a common sight.

The difference between winning Wildcats and winning Wolverines though is not, however, that we'll, as the Detroit Free Press' Joe Falls wrote, "read two books instead of one." No, the Wildcats appreciate every win and work harder every week to accomplish their goals the next.

It's not uncommon on the lake side campus in Evanston to see the proud football players hurrying to class, but taking the time to smile at fellow students on their way.

We've been described as a "Cinderella team," but as NU coach Gary Barnett said, "It doesn't look like a Cinderella team out there to me."

So, to all those snickering people here at home who made fun of my Big Ten choice: "Nah nah nah nah nah."

But seriously, good luck Wildcats at the bowl game - you deserve it.

*Editor's note: The writer, Kelly Chorbagian, is a student at Northwestern University, which will make its first appearance in the Rose Bowl since 1949 by going undefeated in the Big 10 this year.*

## Canton volleyball team adjusts to new coach, new style of play

By LORI GILLESPIE  
MCN Staff Writer

Plymouth-Canton's volleyball team was 20-10-2 last season. They are 3-1-1 so far this season.

Many changes have occurred, and the season is just getting started.

Steve Anderson has joined the ranks as head coach for the Chiefs. He is a volleyball coach from Henry Ford Community College, and has played in the Men's Open for eight years.

"The girls are going to be making the transition from the defensive and offensive runs they did last year, to new ones this year," Anderson said. "I'm more defensive oriented. They've been focused on offense in the past. We have a lot of great players, but we don't have the height. We have one girl who is 5-foot-10, and two who are 5-foot-9, the rest are all under 5-foot-6. Since we are not a tall team, defense and serving are two things we need to focus on to have a good season."

The coach said that other teams shouldn't count them out because of their lack of

height. In fact, the strong points of his team far outweigh the weaknesses. "Our serving is very, very strong. We are averaging five aces per game. In the tournament in Allen Park, we had 40 aces in eight games. With one-third of our points coming from serving, some of the pressure is taken off the rest of the team," Anderson added, "We are also very strong defensively. We have two very strong setters, Amber Wells and Anne Alioto. On offense, we have three key hitters, Beth Ostach and Jessica Orleman, who are middle- hitters, and Kristie Drinkhahn, who is our outside-hitter."

Of the 12 girls on the squad, Wells, Alioto, Ostach and Drinkhahn are the only seniors. Wells and Drinkhahn are co-captains. "I do things differently," Anderson said, of the way the captains were chosen. "I allow the team to pick one captain, and I pick the other. They do it by secret ballot. I choose the floor-captain, by looking at who will be the most diplomatic, because she will have to deal with the referees."

Anderson has set many

goals for his team. "I would like us to end up in the top two in our division, top three in the league. They have to get used to me after playing under a different system for the past three or four years. I would also like us to have at least two players named to the All-Conference team, and I would really like to see us win the District."

The Chiefs came out strong in their first match against Ann Arbor Huron. "In the first game, we were down 13-9. But, off of some strong serving from Anne and Kristie, we won the game, 15-13. In the second game, our serving was very strong, Nikki Kovachevic had three aces. We got going and Ann Arbor couldn't get their offense formed. We won that game, 15-2."

The Allen Park Invitational was a slightly different story. Canton split the first match with Lakeland, won the second against Annapolis, lost the third to Wyandotte, and defeated Melvindale in the fourth. According to the coach, the Chiefs were playing minus two of their four starters.



### Season ending

Plymouth-Canton's girls basketball team, shown here playing Walled Lake Central, ended up in second place in their conference, but hope to take a step up next season to win the conference competition. MCN photo by Lori Gillespie

## Romulus volleyball team ready

By LORI GILLESPIE  
MCN Staff Writer

The Romulus volleyball team ended last season with a 30-20-2 record. They are ready to continue their success this year, their first in the Mega League.

"They're looking pretty good," coach Ron Small said. "We have three seniors and eight juniors on the squad. That's the makings of a pretty good team."

Small is no stranger to the Mega League. He comes to Romulus from Woodhaven High

School, where he was coach for the junior varsity team.

The coach seems to be happy with what he has seen so far from his team. "We are looking forward to a good year once we get our plays in place, we'll be doing a good job. You'll be hearing a lot from us this year."

The captain of the team is Julie Golden.

According to Small, the senior was chosen as captain because, "She has good initiative and abilities. She is very active, and very good at getting the team motivated."

Romulus played their first games against Gabriel Richard and Mt. Carmel. Small said both matches were close, but the Gabriel Richard contest was a bit one-sided. His team also played in the Taylor Invitational, where they came in third out of five teams.

The coach said he believes his team has many strong points to build on. "We are good at setting, good at hitting and passing. We just need to put them all together as a package and we'll be fine. With a little practice, we can put this together," Small said.

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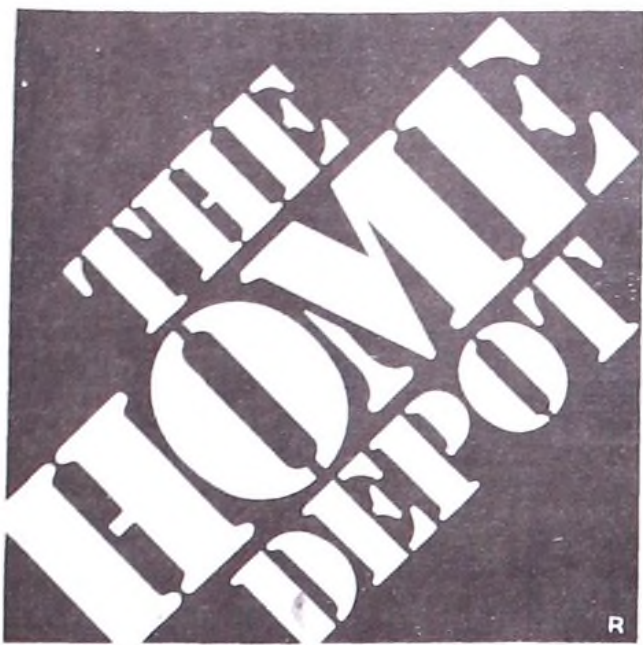
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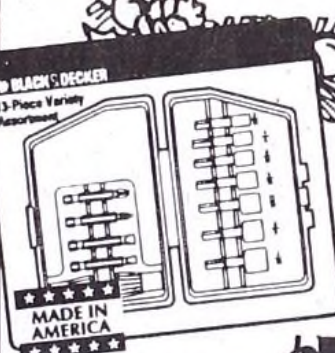
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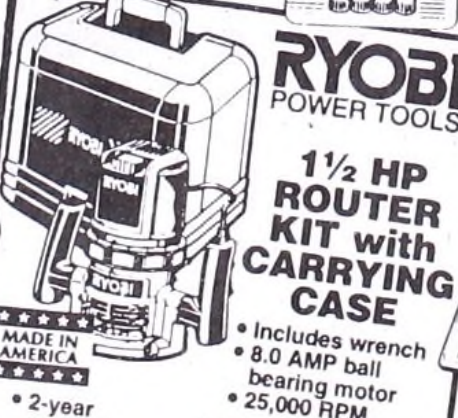
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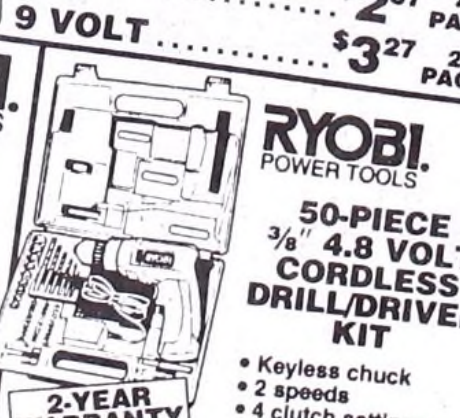
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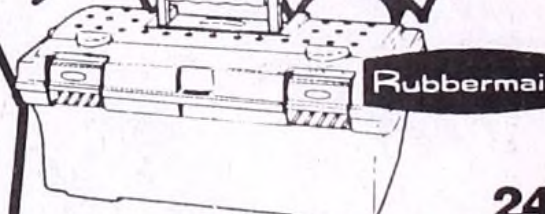
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Shannon Kohler waters thousands of poinsettias at the Willow Run Farms greenhouse in Van Buren.

## Living gifts Poinsettia plants brighten holidays

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER  
MCN Managing Editor

Sharing popularity with mistletoe and holly, the best known holiday plant is the poinsettia.

First introduced in bright, red tones, poinsettias now come in shades of pink and white to accent any holiday decor.

Showy scarlet, pink or white bracts beneath small yellow flowers form the poinsettia, a tropical American shrub which was brought to the U.S. by J.R. Poinsett, the U.S. minister to Mexico in the mid 1800s.

Some 1,000 poinsettias are currently blooming in all their holiday glory at Willow Run Farms in Van Buren Township, said James Quinn who heads the hydroponic farm operation and greenhouse facility.

"We've got pinks, whites and reds, but none of them for sale here," Quinn said, explaining that most of the plants will be sold in a fund-raising effort by a mental health agency and others will find their way into the homes of employees.

"This is the second year that we've grown poinsettias here," Quinn said. "It takes some effort, but there is a lot of help available from the Michigan State University Extension Service and agricultural agencies."

"From August on, publications remind poinsettia growers of all the dangers to be aware of," Quinn said.

*"It sounds strange, but if you want them to bloom, you shut the light off."*

- James Quinn

Poinsettias are unique in that their blooms are triggered by the diminishing of daylight. "It sounds strange, but if you want them to bloom, you shut the light off," he said.

Part of the challenge in growing poinsettias is to see that they have the right amount of light. The shorter days of December trigger the plant to bloom, but if there is too much light from other sources - for example, a large residential development with bright street lights - the plants will be influenced by their light, he said.

"The one thing that a poinsettia grower doesn't want is a big development near by," Quinn said. "The same goes for busy highways, although our proximity to Interstate-94 doesn't influence the plants here. It could if we were adjacent to the road."

Although poinsettias are the main focus of the Willow Run Farms staff at this time, they are also involved in the growing of herbs.

"We sell a lot of potted herbs, usually in the spring

and summer months. Meijer markets carry our herbs in their produce departments year-round and they are very popular," Quinn said. "We're looking at some unique plants to grow in the future. One of them is a scented geranium. If you see - and smell - one in the market, you're going to want to take it home. The geraniums smell that good."

## New police lieutenant named

The Michigan Department of State Police have promoted Sgt. Karen Renucci to lieutenant and platoon commander at the Detroit post effective Nov. 19.

As platoon commander, Renucci will be responsible for a total of three sergeants and 20 to 25 troopers. She will also

oversee the post's fugitive task force and serve as the liaison between local and federal law enforcement agencies. Renucci will be responsible for arranging security at special events occurring in Southeast Michigan.

Renucci enlisted with the Michigan State Police in April 1984.

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### Speese, Daniel

Daniel S. Speese, 102, formerly of Wayne, died Dec. 1, 1995, in Wayne.

Born in Sunbury, Penn. on Sept. 27, 1893, he moved to this area in 1912. He was the oldest Michigan driver to still operate a vehicle at the age of 101 and was the oldest retiree of Burrough's Corp., where he was a tool and die worker.

His family reported his main interests were playing cards, visiting friends and going to Burrough retirement meetings. They said he still enjoyed some "flirting."

Survivors include four grandchildren, Lynn R. Patterson of Clinton Township, Kathy C. Mayer and Ralph (Jane) Pesonen, both of Sterling Heights and Tom (Karen) Pesonen of Warren; eight great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

He was predeceased by his wife, Alberta; and a daughter, Betty J. Pesonen.

The funeral was conducted at the Vermeulen Memorial Funeral Home with the Rev. Robert Millar officiating. The family recommends that memorials be sent to the Eastern Michigan Salvation Army Headquarters in Southfield.

### Gersky, James

James J. Gersky Jr., 55, of Romulus, died Dec. 11, 1995 at Westland Convalescent Center.

Born on April 1, 1940 in Wyandotte, he was an employee of Wayne County and a member of the Army Reserves and the Wayne County Sheriff's Local Union 502.

Survivors include a son, James J. Gersky III of McBain; two daughters, Janet Marie Eisenga and Jacqueline (Steve) LaGrow, both of McBain; his mother, Lesta Jane Gersky of Romulus; two brothers, Michael of California and Gerald F. of Garden City; six sisters, Susan (Jerry) Adams of Taylor, Patricia Geldmacher of Romulus, Florence (Larry) Bozanic and Lesta Finch, both of Westland, Margaret Furister of Lansing and Ida (Harry) DeKoning of Redford; and three grandchildren.

The funeral was at the Crane Funeral Home of Romulus and interment was in Michigan Memorial Park of Flat Rock. The family recommends that memorials be sent to the American Cancer Society.

### Darda, William

William T. Darda, 72, of Romulus, died Nov. 28, 1995. Born in Galien on March 16, 1923, he was a retired employee of the General Motors Spring and Bumper Plant.

Survivors include his wife, Hazel O. (Conn) Darda; a son, Eugene T. of Romulus; a daughter, Lorraine H. (Andre) Marcouiller of Springhill, Tenn.; two brothers, George of California and John of Sawyer, Mich.; a sister, Ann Smith of Ohio; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was predeceased by three brothers, Frank, Joseph and Charles Darda; and two sisters, Mary and Elizabeth Darda.

The funeral was at the Crane Funeral Home with the Rev. Bill Eversote officiating. Interment was in Romulus Cemetery.

### Walters, Clayton

Clayton A. Walters, 83, of Belleville, Mich. and Phoenix, Ariz., died Dec. 7, 1995 at Maryvale Samaritan Hospital of Phoenix.

Born on Oct. 20, 1912 in Belleville, he was a 35 year employee of the Roberts Brothers Inc. Funeral Home and Furniture Store. He also was a member of the Belleville First United Methodist Church and the September Days Senior Citizens Club.

Survivors include his wife, Harriet (Tooman); four children, Donald C. (Elsie) Walters and M.J. Walters, both of Belleville; Rich. Millard of Phoenix and Robert Millard of Eugene, Mo.; a sister, Luella Allman of Wyandotte; 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Irving and Gurtha (Dolph) Walters and his first wife, Mary, in 1955.

The funeral was conducted at the David C. Brown Funeral Home of Belleville with the Rev. Dr. David T. Strong of the First United Methodist Church officiating. Interment was in Hillside Cemetery of Belleville. The family recommends that memorials be sent to the American Diabetes Association or the Michigan Heart Association.

### Dennis, Viola

Viola C. Dennis, 72, of Romulus, died Dec. 11, 1995 at Annapolis Center of Oakwood Hospitals in Wayne.

Born on Feb. 7, 1923, she was a homemaker.

Survivors include two sons, Donald of Inkster and Earl; a daughter, Judy LeLand; a brother, William Guenther; a sister, Hazel Dennis; nine grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted at the Uht Funeral Home with the Rev. Calvin Brown officiating. Interment was in Cadillac Memorial Gardens West of Westland.

### Schroeder, Gladys

Gladys M. Schroeder, 86, formerly of Wayne, died Nov. 28, 1995.

Survivors include a brother, William Batho; and a niece, Norma Wirick. She was predeceased by her husband, Leo.

The funeral was conducted at the Lents Chapel of the Harry J. Will Funeral Home of Wayne.

### Tiliski, Shirley

Shirley May Tiliski, 67, of Westland, died Dec. 2, 1995 in Wayne.

Born in Cleveland, Ohio on May 23, 1928, she was a homemaker and a member of the Women's Auxiliary V.F.W. Post 3323 in Westland.

Survivors include a daughter, Sharon Lynn (Donald) Sabaugh of Albuquerque, N. Mex.; four sons, Donald (Rebecca) Dunlap of Westland, Michael (Diane) Burton of Garden City, Kayo Tiliski, Dale (Susan) Tiliski of Plymouth and Gene Tiliski of California; a brother, Richard Coker; 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted at the Vermeulen Memorial Funeral Home with the Rev. Jerry Yarnell of St. Michael Evangelical Lutheran Church of Canton officiating. Interment was in Cadillac Memorial Gardens West of Westland. The family recommends that memorials be sent to the VFW Post 3323 of Westland.

### White, Calvin

Calvin White, 43, of Westland died Dec. 7, 1995 in Livonia. He was born in Detroit on April 21, 1952.

The funeral was at the Vermeulen Memorial Funeral Home with Desmond Dmbry of the Christ Center Homes of Jackson officiating. Interment was in Knollwood Cemetery of Canton.

### Knapik, Pearl

Pearl M. Knapik, 63, of Westland, died Dec. 13, 1995 in Livonia.

Born in Des Plaines, Ark. on Sept. 13, 1932, she was the wife of Daniel Knapik.

Other survivors include five daughters, Velta Adams and Naomi (James) Kluesner, both of Westland, Linda and Rhonda Adams, both of Canton, and Robin Adams of Taylor; two sons, John (Karen) Adams of Westland and Steve Adams of Harrison; a sister; a brother; 20 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted at the Vermeulen Memorial Funeral Home with the Rev. Mark R. Cryderman of the Westland Free Methodist Church officiating. The family recommends that memorials be sent to the American Heart Association of Berkley, Mich.

### Peters, George

George J. Peters, 74, of Wayne, died Dec. 13, 1995.

Born on Oct. 24, 1921, he was an assembler.

Survivors include his wife, Mary (LoKant); a son, George Jr.; two daughters, Mary Elizabeth Courtright and Jackie Griffith; two sisters, Louise and Dorothy; a brother, Lee Roy; eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, Leonard Uhl; two sisters, Anna Marie and Freda; and three brothers, Omar, Leslie and Marferd.

The funeral was conducted at the Uht Funeral Home with the Rev. Charles Warren officiating. Interment was in Parkview Cemetery of Livonia.

### Moriarty, Anna

Anna "Marge" Moriarty, 90, of Belleville, died Nov. 26, 1995 at the Beyer Center of Oakwood Hospitals in Ypsilanti.

Born in Austria-Hungary on June 2, 1905, she was a charter member of the Woman of the Moose Lodge 1135. She also was a member of St. Anthony Catholic Church and the September Days Senior Center, serving as a volunteer for many years.

Survivors include a sister, Catherine Weidig of Milwaukee, Wis.; several nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her husband, John C.; her parents, Joseph and Theresa Litaratz; a son, Eugene Rescic and two brothers, Joseph and Stephen Litaratz.

The funeral was conducted at the David C. Brown Funeral Home of Belleville with Father Thomas H. Cusick officiating. Interment was in Hillside Cemetery.

The family recommends that memorials be sent to Moosehaven or the American Cancer Society.

### Smolen, Teresa

Teresa Betty Smolen, 83, formerly of Romulus, died Nov. 25, 1995 at the Hilltop Manor Health Care Center in Roscommon.

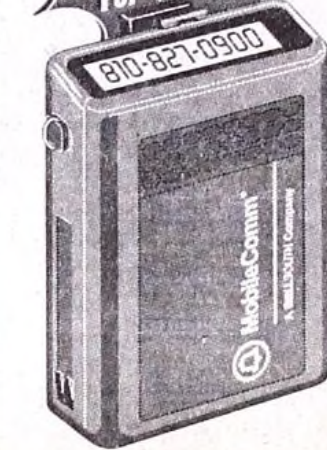
Born on Aug. 2, 1912 in Detroit, she is survived by three sisters, Lottie June Sinkiewicz of Belleville, Mary Stempel of Carleton and Clara Bonnie Ecker of Linwood; and four brothers, Frank of Detroit, John (Faith) of Woodhaven, Mike (Drene) of Whitehall and Joseph (Wilma) of Roscommon.

She was predeceased by her parents, Walter and Teresa (Ramion) Smolen and two sisters, Rose Rodislovich and Julia Dudeck.

The funeral was conducted at St. Anthony Catholic Church with Father Thomas H. Cusick officiating. Interment was in Michigan Memorial Park of Flat Rock. Arrangements were completed by the David C. Brown Funeral Home.

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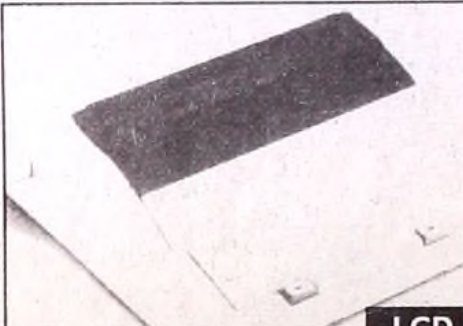
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# Musicals headline area theaters during holidays

By MARGO DEWEY  
MCN News Editor

The gift that keeps on giving throughout the year is entertainment, and there are many mesmerizing performances to select from including the spectacular display of *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* at the Masonic Temple Theatre to *The Nutcracker* ballet with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

The following is a brief overview of the many live productions:

**FISHER THEATRE**  
• *Big Feb. 13-March 10* at the Fisher Theatre in Detroit. Director Mike Ockrent teams with Tony Award choreographer Susan Stroman and music director Paul Gemignani to bring the heartwarming and amusing tale of the young boy who wishes to be big to the stage.

This will be the only engagement for the \$10 million production prior to its April 1996 Broadway opening at the Shubert Theatre in New York City. For tickets call 810-645-6666 or for show times call 313-872-1000.

**THE MASONIC TEMPLE THEATRE**  
• *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat* now through Jan. 28 at The Masonic Temple Theatre in Detroit. This unique production, with lyrics by Tim Rice and music by Andrew Lloyd Webber, is a joyous, tune-filled musical retelling of the familiar Biblical yarn of Joseph and his 11 brothers at the time of the Pharaoh.

Andrew Lloyd Webber's production of *Joseph* premiered at the world-renowned London Palladium June 12, 1981, and was given its North American premiere by LIVENT at Toronto's Elgin Theatre in June 1992. For tickets call 810-645-6666.

• *Disney's Beauty and the Beast* arrives at The Masonic Temple March 19 for a limited engagement. Audiences are sure to enjoy the same full-length Broadway musical, complete with spectacular production numbers, elaborate costumes and unforgettable songs, that have been wowing Broadway audiences since the show opened in New York.

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Principal dancers perform in the 'Nutcracker' which is currently at the Fox Theatre. MCN Special Photo

screen to stage enhancing the elements that made the animated film a favorite around the world.

For tickets call 810-645-6666.

**THE PALACE THEATRE**  
• *Nutcracker on Ice* starring Peggy Fleming, Nicole Bobek, Todd Eldredge with special guest Brian Orser Dec. 22 at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

This unforgettable show will dazzle audiences of all ages with the elegant performance by Fleming and the energetic presence of Bobek and Eldredge. Tickets can be purchased by calling 810-645-6666.

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• *Camper, Travel and RV Show* Jan. 24-28 at the Pontiac Silverdome. Everything a family needs for the outdoors can be found at this show. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

• *Boat, Sport and Fishing Show* Feb. 14-18 at the Pontiac Silverdome. Water enthusiasts will find everything over and under the aqua for fishing and watersports. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

• *Michigan Home and Garden Show* Feb. 29-March 3 at the Pontiac Silverdome. A wide variety of home and garden items will be on display with experts waiting to offer helpful tips for garden and home enthusiasts. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

**MUSEUM OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY**

• The Museum of African American History presents "A Slave Ship Speaks: The Wreck of the Henrietta Marie" sponsored by General Motors now through March 15, 1996.

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The Museum of African American History is located at 301 Frederick Douglas in Detroit. To book a tour call 313-833-9800.

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## Fun abounds in local clubs

By Benny Jett and  
Bob Harris

Dashing through the snow in a one-horse open sleigh, over the fields we go laughing all the way.

Merry Christmas. It sneaks up on you faster every year, up with the snow and cold weather this year, it appears that Old St. Nick will soon be here.

Bob Harris (the old guy) and I (the young guy) write this column about people, places and things to do. So, if you know of a person or a place that should be in the paper, we need you to let us know. Contact Benny by calling 730-1627. It can be just about anything a school, community event, favorite waitress, police officer, donut shop, good place to shop, play bingo, buy gas or find romance.

Is your Christmas shopping done or are you still looking? I'm sold on those rotating tooth brushes you see for sale. Never bought a Chia pet, but this might be the year. Doug's Dugout on Ford Road in Garden City has sports cards, comics, videos. Doug is a John Glenn grad.

If you're shopping for the person who has everything, Johnny Lema's in the Westland Mall has a '57 Chevy seat, neon signs, juke boxes, gas pumps, Elvis and Marilyn Monroe memorabilia from \$10 to \$10,000.

What's the thing everyone likes to do? You know - eat. I stopped at the Hardee's on Michigan Avenue just east of I-275 and tried the fresh fried chicken and (don't laugh), it was as good as any fried chicken I ever had. And, Hardee's might have the best milk shakes and copies of the *Canton Eagle* around.

Heard rumors that Publisher Mike Wilcox sometimes eats at Andy's Town Lounge on Michigan, east of Inkster Road. Andy is a longtime local favorite lunch and dinner spot.



Bob Harris



Benny Speer

Bill Noble, a part time handyman - 728-5536 No Job Too Big No Job Too Small - likes to eat in Wayne. He says his favorite waitress, Faith, is at the Beehive Restaurant on Michigan Avenue, just east of downtown.

Ken Jones, the used car man at Tyme Auto, likes to eat at the old Bode's on Main Street in Plymouth. It's a landmark next to the railroad tracks. Corned beef sandwich sounds good.

Geno, the WNIC radio mailman, likes the Coneys at Capitol Coney on Ford Road, west of Wayne in Westland, and the L. George in the old Warren Avenue neighborhood. Heard humors that Detroit Piston basketball star Terry Mills ate at the Romulus House on Wayne Road, north of I-94. My 15-year-old John Glenn High School student and daughter, Dyana, says the best steak she has ever had was at the Romulus House.

Reggie, the Belleville High School maintenance man, said in Belleville everyone eats at Reflections Lakeside downtown, overlooking the lake with a million dollar view.

Leon's Family Dining with locations in Lincoln Park, Novi, Dearborn, Livonia and Wayne Road in Westland has Kathy, the red-headed waitress.

Heard from Jim, the owner of the Side Pocket Bar on Inkster Road. He gives the folks darts, pool, dancing and live

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What ever happened to the popular oldies band, Jeff and the Atlantics. Well, if you read our column, I hope you know we try to mention all the old bands as often as possible - Jamie Coe, Jack Rainwater, Salem Witchcraft, Sunday Funnies, Steve King and the Ditties, the Showcament, Little Reuben and Tezer. Well, Jeff and the Atlantics, Cherry Hill High Class of ?, will appear New Year's Eve with Beatlemania at the Center Stage on Ford Road, east of I-275. Get your tickets quick. Call 729-4000 for information.

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## New cars, trucks debut at show

The list of production vehicles making their worldwide and North American debuts at the 1996 North American International Auto Show has grown substantially to include new luxury and mid-size cars, trucks and sport-utility vehicles.

General Motors Corp. plans to unveil to the world its new line of mid-size sedans and coupes from four of its divisions for 1997, as well as Cadillac's new entry level luxury car, the Catera. Also making its worldwide debut from GM will be Chevrolet's S-Series Sportside pickup truck, which will be heading for showrooms about the time of the auto show.

The most recent additions

to the introduction list is the hot-selling sport-utility market include Toyota's new 4-Runner and the 1996 AM General Hummer equipped with a turbo-diesel engine.

also new to the list of introductions are the worldwide debut of the Aston Martin DB7 Convertible and the North American debut of the Aston Martin DB7 Coupe.

Chrysler will also display for the first time at any auto show a trio of Dodge Vipers: the Dodge Viper that will pace the Indianapolis 500; the 1997 Dodge Viper GTS Coupe and the racing version, 1997 Dodge Viper GTS-R. Chrysler further hints it has a number of other product introductions in store.

Here are details on a few of the production cars and trucks making their worldwide or North American debut at the show, which runs from Jan. 2 to 15:

- 1997 Cadillac Catera, powered by a 3.0-liter DOHC V-6 that delivers 200 horsepower and mates to a four-speed automatic transmission.

- 1996 AM General Hummer, a 6.5-liter V-8 turbocharged diesel engine with electronic controls, rated at 190 horsepower.

- 1997 Buick LeSabre, equipped with the 3800 Series II V-6 engine and four-speed automatic transmission.

- 1997 Buick Park Avenue, with technical advancements which include a higher-

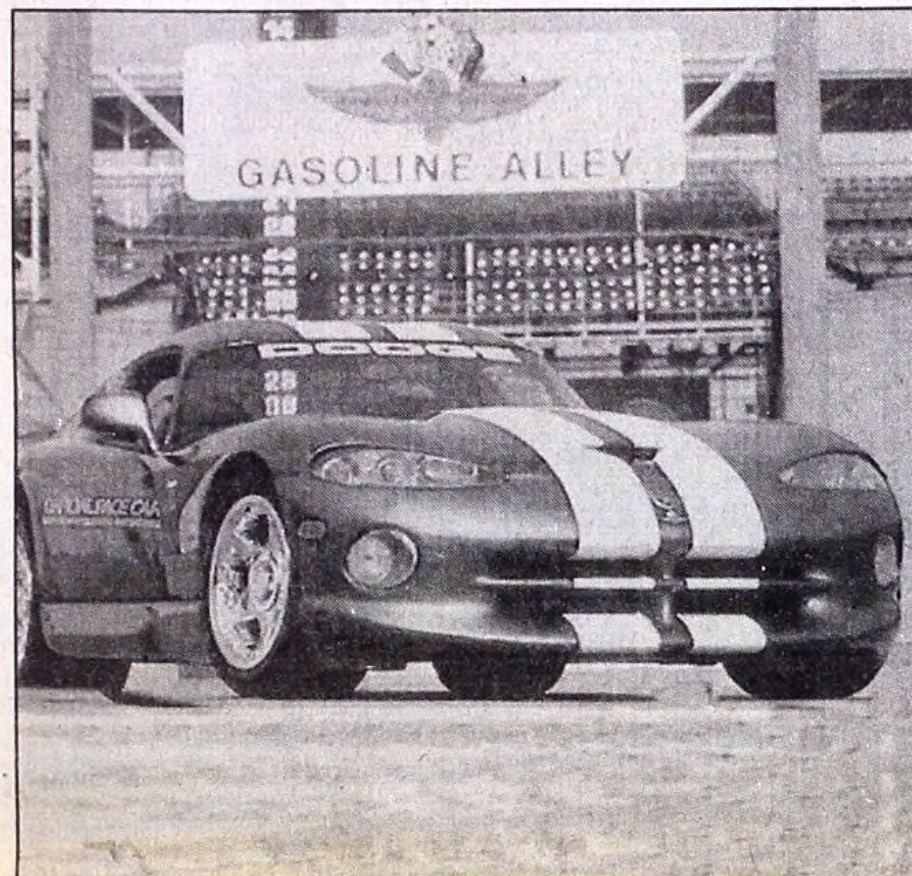
capacity four-wheel disc anti-lock brake system, magnetic speed-variable assist power steering and several aluminum suspension components.

- 1996 Chevrolet Malibu, S-Series Sportside Pickup which has power and towing capacity unmatched by any competitors.

- 1996 Toyota 4-Runner, which offers a long list of standard safety features, including dual SRS air bags, center-mount stoplight, adjustable seat belt anchors and four-wheel anti-lock breaks.



AM General will unveil the 1996 Hummer, which will be available with a new turbo-diesel engine. MCN Special Photo



The Dodge Viper Indianapolis 500 Pace Car will sport a metallic blue paint and will not require any powertrain modifications in order to meet Indy pace car standards. It is nearly identical to the production version, due out in the spring. The Viper GTS Coupe incorporates the same 8.0-liter V-10 engine as the Viper RT/10 Roadster. MCN Special Photo

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 1GTCM15Z9H8502617  
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 1G2AK37A7CP600111  
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 4R35K6X138401  
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**STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF WAYNE PUBLICATION NOTICE**  
 Deceased Estate  
 File No: 95-542346-SE  
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**STATE OF MICHIGAN 22ND JUDICIAL DISTRICT ORDER FOR ALTERNATE SERVICE**

Case No: 95-2536-LT  
 Dated: December 11, 1995  
 Court Address: 27331 S. River Park Drive, Inkster, Michigan 48141. (313) 277-8200.  
 PLAINTIFF: Department of Veterans Affairs  
 477 Michigan Avenue  
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PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY:  
 Arthur E. LaFave P30465  
 Office of District Counsel/VA  
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DEFENDANT:  
 James Sanders  
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THE COURT FINDS: Service of process upon Defendant, James Sanders, cannot reasonably be made as provided in MCR 2.105, and service of process may be made in a manner which is reasonably calculated to give Defendant actual notice of the proceedings and an opportunity to be heard.

IT IS ORDERED: Service of the

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SUNDAY EDITION: 3 p.m. Friday

Dec. 21, 1995  
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**DEFENDANT:**  
James Sanders  
25922 Norfolk  
Inkster, Michigan 48141

**LAND CONTRACT FORFEITURE**  
**NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANT:** In the name of the people of the State of Michigan you are notified: The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint against you and wants to recover possession after land contract forfeiture. Address or description of premises: Property in default located at: 25922 Norfolk, Inkster, Michigan 48141. Legal description: Lot 87, Yale Day Sub #2, as recorded L71, P68 Plats, WCR.

You are summoned to be in the district court on Tuesday, January 16, 1996 at 2 p.m. at the address above.

You have the right to a jury trial. If you do not demand a jury trial and pay the required jury fee in your first defense response you will lose this right.

If you are in district court on time, you will have an opportunity to give the reasons why you feel you should not be evicted. Bring witnesses, receipts, and other necessary papers with you.

If you are not in district court on time, you may be evicted without a trial and a money judgment may be entered against you.

Dated: October 27, 1995  
Garnett L. Hegeman, Jr.  
Court Clerk

**STATE OF MICHIGAN**  
22nd DISTRICT COURT  
COMPLAINT  
Land Contract  
Forfeiture

COURT ADDRESS: 27331 S. River Park Drive, Inkster, Michigan 48141. (313) 277-8200.

**PLAINTIFF:**  
Department of  
Veteran's Affairs  
477 Michigan Avenue  
Room 1460  
Detroit, Michigan 48226  
(313) 226-4244

**PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY:**  
Arthur E. LaFave P30465  
Office of the  
District Counsel/VIA  
477 Michigan Avenue  
Room 1460  
Detroit, Michigan 48226  
(313) 226-4244

- vs -

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For Complaint, the Plaintiff says:  
Attached to this Complaint is a copy of the land contract and a copy of the forfeiture notice showing when and how it was served. The Notice is incorporated in this complaint by reference.

Plaintiff is the Seller and the Defendant is the Purchaser described in the attached for-

feiture notice and is in possession of the land described in the notice.

Plaintiff has a right to recover possession of the property for: Non-payment of monies required to be paid of the property for:  
Original selling price: \$13,200  
Principal Balance due: \$13,200  
Total amount in arrears: \$6,425.06  
Last payment: November 1, 1993  
Interest at: 13.5% paid to November 1, 1993.

Plaintiff, in accordance with the terms of the land contract, declared that it was forfeited.

Plaintiff asks for a judgment of possession and costs, and asks for the issuance of a writ of restitution according to law.

I declare under penalty of contempt of court that the above statements are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and that there is good ground to support the contents of this pleading.

Arthur E. LaFave P30465  
Attorney

Publish: December 21, 1995  
December 28, 1995  
January 4, 1996

**8. Entertainment**

**DJ SOUNDS**  
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**BOB KLIEMANN**  
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**ATTN: PRIOR Service personnel.** The National Guard has openings for you. All branches welcome. Keep your rank. Call SSG Randall Tompkins, 313-483-2863.

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24 hour Livonia area Child Development Center servicing the auto industry seeks: nurturing, flexible assistant teachers. Associates in Child Development or C.D.A. Certificate required. Experience desired. Excellent pay and benefits. Please submit resume and letter of intent to:

Teacher  
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**DMC** Nursing and Convalescent Center  
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**47. Schools**

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**I am interested in tall man.** I am a 5'8", 27 year old, white female. I like trying anything that might be fun - from concerts to water skiing and roller-blading. Looking for a like-minded man between 28 and 40. #15002

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**Ready for a full-time commitment?** I am a 5'8", 51 year old, white female with red hair. I enjoy movies, walks on the beach and holding hands. I am looking for a gentleman who doesn't drink or smoke. #7237

**I am in search of companionship!** I am a 5'4", 62 year old, black female. I enjoy movies, picnics, dining out, shopping and bowling. #11509

**I am a 5'8", 140 pound, 38 year old, white female with big brown eyes and black hair.** I am a teacher who loves to go dancing, movies and having a nice times with a nice person. #11638

**I am a 5'7", 55 year old, black female.** I enjoy going to church, traveling, dining out and movies. If you have similar interests and more, call. #27477

**I am in search of an honest man with a good sense of humor who enjoys kids.** I am a 5'4", 140 pound, 21 year old, black female with light complexion. I enjoy going to clubs and movies. I am looking for companionship. #27447

**Are you 6'+** I am a 5'6", 130 pound, 28 year old, black mom with short hair and a medium complexion. I enjoy going out, spending time with my kids, dining out and meeting new people. I am in search of a tall, dark man with a great build. #12607

**GREAT EYES?** I am a 5'7", 115 pound, 18 year old, white female with brown hair. I am interested in a man between the ages of 20-24, with dark hair and a good job. #34855

**Seeking a man between the ages of 50-58, who enjoys exercising outdoors!** I am a attractive, 5'9", 53 year old, white female. I enjoy walking, biking in the park, dancing and dining out. #27523

**Let's find out if we can relate!** I am a 5'5", 49 year old, NS, black female with dark brown eyes, black hair and a brown complexion. I enjoy working in my tire shop, taking walks, listening to music, bowling and more. If you like travel, picnics and spending time with a special lady, give me a call. #12991

**Lover of women??** I am a 5'5", 138 pound, 37 year old, NS, black female. I am looking for an intelligent man who is versatile, personable, financially secure, social, happy with himself and at least 6'. #15671

**Seeking an employed male.** I am a 5'9", 120 pound, 24 year old, black female. I enjoy jazz, reading and movies. #12914

**Long lasting relationship wanted!** I am a 5'6", 42 year old, Hispanic mom. I enjoy music, working out, dining out and hanging out. I am looking for an imaginative, black male, 6' and over, 35 to 40. #30288

**Looking for the right one for me.** I am a 5'2", 43 year old, NS, sexy, classy, black female with a beautiful attitude, golden brown complexion, good personality and a cute smile with dimples. If you are a black or white man, 35 to 45, who is looking for a companion, call. #32241

**This sweet little lady is looking for a sweet little man.** I am a 5'5", 51 year old, white female. I enjoy bowling, traveling, singing and movies. I am a Christian and I sing in a choir. If you want to meet me, call. #21426

**Red roses you'll be sending?** I am a 5'2", 125 pound, 34 year old, independent, black mother of one. I enjoy singing, dancing, jazz concerts and romantic evenings. I am in search of a man between the ages of 35-40. If you want to find out more about me, give me a call. #29096

**I don't need extravagant dinners, just someone to share mine with!** I am a 5'3", 26 year old, black female. I am looking for a guy, 30 to 40, to go out and have fun. If you like nice conversations and the chance to get to know a person, give me a call. #8083

**Are you also looking for a friendship?** I am a 5'2", 130 pound, 31 year old, black female. I enjoy horseback riding, movies and quiet evenings. If you are interested and would like to find out more, call me. #8939

**GOOD MOTHER AND GOOD COOK!** I am a 5'3", 42 year old, black female. I enjoy jogging, movies and dancing. I am interested in a soft, gentle and well-mannered man. #35145

**One word to describe me...Fun!** I am a 5'6", 24 year old, black female. I enjoy movies, concerts, walks on the beach and other fun activities. I am in search of an honest man with a good personality, good sense of humor and likes to have fun. #25635

**Life's simple pleasures.** I like fishing, games, the outdoors, cleaning up the yard, walking in the mall and watching the ducks at the park. I am a 5'5", 125 pound, 65 year old, NS, white mom. #20840

**Sexy Gemini looking for strength.** I am a 5'4", 140 pound, 24 year old, NS, black mom. I'm a little difficult to get along with; however, I feel if you are a strong and intelligent young man, then you can hang. #14381

**Saucy type looking for right mix.** I am a 5'9", 30 year old, sensuous and voluptuous, white female. I love being in or around the water. Seeking a man with a reckless and conservative spirit. Get in touch soon! #25738

**Do you believe in Karma?** I am a 5'8", 51 year old, NS, nondrinking, white female. I am old-fashioned and active. I hope to develop a friendly relationship with a man who is tall and active. I am a vegetarian who loves walks, dancing, music, movies, books, animals and more. Call me. #25946

**Honesty is the best policy...Honest!** I am a 5'8", full-figured, 33 year old, hardworking, black female who likes the movies and the sweet smell of fresh pine needles in the great outdoors and having fun. #12879

**Golden Rule applies here!** I am a 5'2", 39 year old, black, Christian mother of two who is looking for a Christian man, who is warm, sincere and serious about relationships. #12625

**Buddy up Boys!** I am a 5'7", 135 pound, 22 year old, NS, black female with a brown complexion and shoulder length, dark brown hair. Looking for a man friend to pal with and hang out together. You'll want to know more, so call. #17236

**Are you easygoing and ready for a friend?** I am a professional in the travel industry who looking for a good friend. I am a 5'8", 25 year old, NS, black female with dark brown skin and medium length sandy brown hair. I enjoy travel, partying, quiet times and conversation. Call me. #18077

**Warning to hot stuff.** I am a 5'5", 135 pound, 23 year old, NS, black female. I love skating, movies and romantic evenings. Hoping to find a good friend to build a lasting, fulfilling relationship with. Call me. #18798

**Guy with gusto needed!** I am a 5'6", 32 year old, NS, black mom with have dark skin, brown eyes and black hair. Seeking a man who is old enough to know what he wants and young enough to go for it! Call me tonight. #22131

**Belle waiting to be rung!** I am a 5'5", 21 year old, NS, black female that is attracted to neatly dressed, sweet smelling men. Looking for a man who is truthful, loving and tall. Race doesn't matter. #16135

**Setter scouting for spiker.** I am a 5'4", 48 year old, NS, white female with auburn hair and brown eyes. I like bowling, volleyball, playing cards and laughing. Seeking a practical, nice man with the ability to look on the positive side of life. #15813

**I like plays and quiet evenings at home.** I am a 5'5", 31 year old, black female with medium height, medium build, a light complexion, dark hair and dark eyes. If you would like to meet me, give me a call. #26447

**Are you handsome, intelligent and understanding with a job?** I am a 5'9", 21 year old, NS, black female. If you would like to meet me, give me a call. #26647

**Do you want something out of life?** I am a 5'4", 44 year old, NS, black female. I enjoy sports, jazz, blues and church. Let's share our time together. #18666

**Short stuff seeks hot stuff!** I am a 5'1", 125 pound, 19 year old, NS, black mom with long hair and brown eyes. Dining out, movies, travel and jazz music are some of the things I enjoy. Looking for a stable, secure man, 25+. Call me. #19154

**Enough of the games already!** I am a 5'5", 31 year old, white mom with brown hair and green eyes. Looking for a 35-45 year old, single, white male who is prepared for fun and is able to commit time and effort to make a relationship successful. #28182

**Set the pace of passion!** I am a 5'4", 135 pound, 20 year old, NS, progressive-minded, black female. Travel to near or far places, museum visits and nights spent exploring the city are some of the things that give me pleasure. Seeking a professional, confident man between the ages of 21 and 29. #26322

## Men



**Rap singer looking for you.** I am a 6'5", 180 pound, 20 year old, NS, black male with no facial hair and an earring. I love music, writing songs and more. If you are down and you want to meet me, call. #11614

**Let me see your beautiful face.** I am a 6'1", 155 pound, 20 year old, black male with dark skin, brown hair and dark brown eyes. I am interested in meeting fun people. #21408

**I just want to meet new people.** I am a 5'10", 185 pound, 28 year old, NS, white dad with brown hair and blue eyes. I have custody of my two children. If you want to find out more about me, give me a call. #14154

**Do motorcycles, hockey and football interest you?** I am a 6'4", 290 pound, 26 year old, NS, white male with black hair and brown eyes. I am looking for a white female, 18 to 26, who is looking for a relationship. #21504

**I appreciate people who know what they want out of life.** I am a 6'3", 180 pound, 23 year old, NS, white male. I am into adventure, mountain climbing, seeing the world, accomplishing my goals, meeting new people, writing poetry and more. I am looking for an inspiring, intelligent, active woman with similar interests. #17575

**Like to laugh and have fun?** I am a 6', 165 pound, 32 year old, white male with brown hair and blue eyes. I enjoy concerts, dancing, back packing and more. If you have similar interests, call. #21146

**Do you like to cuddle?** I am a 6'2", 160 pound, 35 year old, black male. I enjoy movies, shooting pool and more. #24176

**Outspoken and know what you want?** I am a 5'10", 26 year old, NS, black male with brown skin. I enjoy having fun and singing. #17522

**Want to spend some time together one-on-one?** I am a 6', 210 pound, 28 year old, NS, black male with a nice shape. I am very active in sports. I enjoy deep conversations, movies and dinner. #24198

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**Are you looking for an out going man who knows what he wants?** I am a 5'6", 270 pound, 35 year old, white male with black hair and blue eyes. I enjoy sports, travel, camping and fishing. #27820

**Outgoing and fun to hang out with?** I am a 5'7", 145 pound, 23 year old, white male with brown hair and brown eyes. #21147

**A perfect smile is the best feature on a beautiful lady.** I am a 5'8", 155 pound, 33 year old, white male with brown hair and hazel eyes. I enjoy volleyball, bowling, softball, reading and theatre. #13957

**Home owner and hard working.** I am a 6'1", 200 pound, 43 year old, NS, white male. I am looking for a white female, 25 to 40, for a lasting relationship. I like golf, long walks, quiet evenings, movies and T.L.C. #23544

**Let's start a friendship first!** I am a 6', 150 pound, 27 year old, NS, black male with a slim build. I am in search of a black female, 20 to 29. #24586

**Spending time with friends is important to me.** I am a 6'2", 190 pound, 38 year old, NS, white male with brown hair and hazel green eyes. Race is not important. I like jazz and blues music. #7513

**Quiet nights sipping wine and romancing are what I enjoy.** I am a 6', 180 pound, 30 year old, NS, white male with long brown hair. I like camping, concerts, bars and heavy metal music. #18584

**Looking for a friendship, companionship and maybe more?** I am a 6', 200 pound, 47 year old, NS, outgoing, friendly, white male. I enjoy dining out, movies and classic cars. If you are looking for a man who is employed and financially secure, give me a call. #27481

**Nothing serious!** I am a 6'4", 280 pound, 23 year old, NS, professional, black male. I like sports and the simple things in life. If you are looking for a friend and you have a good personality, give me a call. #11300

**Let me fulfill your fantasies.** I am a 5'10", 187 pound, 20 year old, NS, black male. I am a student looking for a woman, 21 to 27, who is goal oriented and not afraid of commitment. I like quiet walks in the park, candle light dinners and a nice book by the fire place. #31270

**Do you like to share the company of a big man?** I am a 6'2", 300 pound, 33 year old, white male with brown hair, short beard, mustache and green eyes. I am interested in a caring, sensitive, black female between the ages of 20-45. #30464

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**Searching for a HWP, black female between the ages of 38-40.** I am a 6'2", 220 pound, 40 year old, white male with brown curly hair, blue eyes and glasses. I enjoy cooking, sports and the simple things in life. #37713

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**A beautiful smile catches my eye.** I am a 6'1", 210 pound, outgoing, divorced, black male with a medium build. I am looking for a lady who is HWP, outgoing, marriage-minded and a one-man-woman. I would be a very fine husband, but I need to meet that special lady first. #24162

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Doris A. Nall, City Clerk

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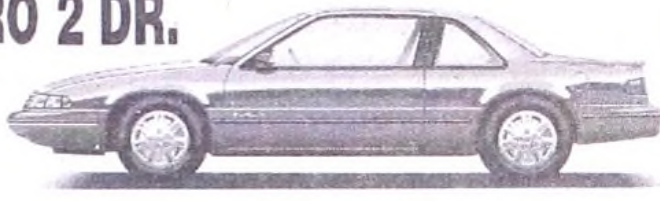
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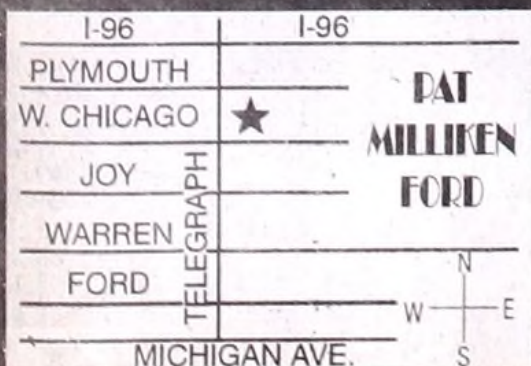


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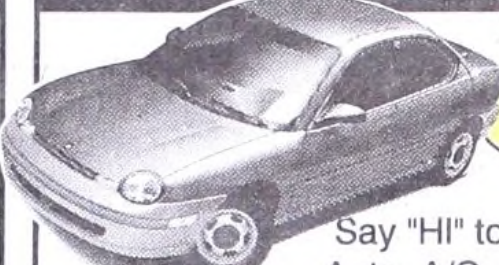
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Daniel Gawley of Wayne (bottom, right) would like for his sister and niece to receive clothing this Christmas. He is not able to work because he has AIDS. This was the last family photo taken of the Gawleys before Daniel's parents died in 1990. MCN Special Photo

## Last wish

# Brother dying of AIDS makes Christmas wish

By MARGO DEWEY  
MCN News Editor

He has only a few more months to live, but Wayne resident Daniel Gawley doesn't want a trip around the world or anything materialistic for himself.

His last wish is for his sister Lisa Lepola and niece, Melissa. Gawley wants to give his sister a Christmas memory that will last a lifetime, and

he has asked the *Michigan Community Newspapers* (MCN) to assist him with this precious gift.

Gawley is afflicted with AIDS, and he said his funds have depleted over the last few months due to not being able to work since Christmas of 1994.

"My sister hasn't bought herself anything in such a long time," said Gawley. "She worries about her daughter and her bills. She is a low

income ADC family."

Gawley and his sister have a very special relationship. They call each other every day and help one another out when possible.

"In previous years I use to help her out financially," said Gawley. "Since our parents passed away in 1990, it has been very difficult. There is no way I can help her this month. I have never had to ask for help. I hope you could find it in your

heart to help me out."

Gawley said his mother had suffered a long illness before she died in 1990. His father died of a heart attack only a few weeks after the death of his wife.

"They loved each other very much," said Gawley. "Right before my mother passed away, my father said to her, 'I'll see you up in

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# Newspaper group, businesses help to make Christmas wishes come true

By MARGO DEWEY  
MCN News Editor

The Michigan Community Newspapers (MCN) "Christmas Wishes Will Come True" program was a huge success this year with area businesses donating goods and services to more than 200 needy families in the Western Wayne County area.

More than \$11,000 in food, clothing and toys was gathered by the MCN Christmas Wishes committee which consisted of: Mike Wilcox-publisher; Margo Dewey-News Editor; Kim Woloskie-Westland reporter; Rita Bedell- Classified Manager; and Mary Tegge-Classified Sales Representative.

The committee began in October organizing for this program which involved writing an article in the six weekly MCN newspapers to let area residents know about the Christmas project.

The article included information on how a needy family could send in a letter explaining their circumstances and why they are in need of assistance during the holiday season.

*You never know what is in store for you tomorrow. Any of us could be in that situation one day. I hope to continue this program for many more years.*

**-Mike Wilcox**

By Nov. 25 more than 400 letters were delivered to the MCN office on Michigan Avenue in Wayne. The Christmas Wishes staff read each and every letter, checking some over twice, to find out which families were most in need.

Many sad circumstances were shared from the families with the MCN staff which included some youngsters not even having a warm winter coat to wear or a couple, both disabled, who barely have enough food to eat because they are surviving on food stamps and social security.

The MCN Christmas committee visited many businesses in the Western Wayne County area with the letters asking for assistance in fulfilling each request.

Most all of the businesses were very receptive to offering their as-

sistance.

Perhaps one of the most outstanding supporters of the Christmas Wish program was Theresa Stanton and the employees of the Walnut Ridge Collectibles.

The group gathered more than \$1,000 in clothing, food and toys for a family which lost everything in a fire six years ago. They even purchased a Christmas tree for the family.

Target in Livonia was also a large contributor to the program. When Woloskie first approached store manager Donna Sneddon, a Westland resident, she said the store could give \$600 worth of toys to the needy families.

However, when Woloskie and Dewey arrived Dec. 16 to gather all the toys, Target increased their donation to \$1,000.

Other businesses who went above and beyond the call of duty included: JC Penney-\$250; Auto-line-\$450; Tyme Auto-\$5,000; Tri-County Mattress- \$1,000; Terry Harder-\$1,000; Romulus IGA-\$100; and Plagens Market-12 turkeys.

Wilcox gave more than \$500 to purchase toys and clothing for the area families.

"It's great to see all the support from businesses and residents in these communities," said Wilcox. "You never know what is in store for you tomorrow. Any of us could be in that situation one day. I hope to continue this program for many more years."

After all of the toys, clothing and food were collected for the families, the MCN Christmas staff then distributed the gifts.

This project was a success not only due to the time volunteered by the MCN Christmas staff but, more importantly, because of the generosity of the businesses and residents in the Western Wayne County area.

Have a safe and happy holiday everyone.



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# Heart of gold

## Area grandmother cares for five grandchildren

By MARGO DEWEY  
MCN News Editor

Her daughter died of cancer in 1991 leaving behind three children and a husband who is disabled.

Romulus resident Ruthie Hughes knew exactly what to do in this time of need. She brought her grandchildren to her home to help care for them and give them a better life.

With food stamps and social security checks, Hughes is managing to pay the bills, but she wants to be able to give her grandchildren a happy Christmas.

She is only asking for clothes this year for the children who are 16 years old, 14 years old and 10 years old.

"I am also taking care of two more grandchildren that get nothing from their parents," said Hughes. "My husband and I try to do the best we can to help out because my son is unable to do anything for his kids because he has AIDS."

"Whatever we get this Christmas will be appreciated."

Hughes works as many hours as she can at an area group home. She has painful arthritis herself, but her love for her grandchildren and de-



Ruthie Hughes cherishes the photographs of her children and her grandchildren that adorn her home. The Romulus grandmother is currently caring for her three grandchildren whose mother died of cancer in 1991. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

*My husband and I try to do the best we can to help out because my son is unable to do anything for his kids because he has AIDS.*

**-Ruthie Hughes**

termination to survive keeps her going.

"I have a lot of love to go around," said Hughes. "I would just like some clothes for these kids to get them through the winter."

Michigan Community Newspapers is providing the clothing for the Hughes family along with JC Penney.

Anyone interested in adopting this family this holiday to provide more gifts can contact Managing Editor Joan Dyer or News Editor Margo Dewey at 729-4000.

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# Families hope for brighter holidays

Hello, my husband and I can not afford to buy our children Christmas gifts this year. We had to care for my mother after she had a heart attack. We have been paying her bills and ours for four months now.

Then on Nov. 26, 1995 our furnace stopped working, and we're trying to replace it. I would be very thankful for whatever you can do for my children. My daughter is 11 years old, my sons are 6 years and 10 years old.

Walmsley Family



I am writing in response to your newspaper ad regarding the Christmas Wish Program.

I am a single parent and head of my household. I have a son that is 8 years old. My son has a learning disability and has put forth great effort this school year to improve. My wish is to reward him this year with a special Christmas present. The problem is that I work part-time and receive supplement from the State of Michigan. My income is just enough to pay my rental obligation and utility bills. Any help you may give will be greatly appreciated.

Mauricette Wamble



To Whom it may concern,  
My name is Melinda. I am embarrassed to be writing this letter because I am a hard working, self supportive, single parent of three boys.

Well I was until Septmeber 13, 1995, when I became ill and for forced to take a short term disability leave (with no pay).

On October 23, 1995, I had major surgery. I am now at home recuperating and should be able to return to work January of 1996. For the time being the only income we have is ADC which is under \$400.00 per month. Whatever you can do for my children would be very deeply appreciated.

Thank you  
Melinda J. Rattray

I am a single parent trying as hard as I can. The money I make from working all goes to the babysitter and to pay the bills. I have two children, a 2-1/2 year old girl and a 4-1/2 year old boy. I was wondering if you could possibly assist in helping me out. I'm not asking for a lot. Just one Christmas present for each of my children could mean a lot to me.

Margaret Seward

My name is Tishie Hudson and I have one 10 year old son. We would like to be adopted by a family this Christmas. I'm on A.D.C. and I am a single mother. My son needs a bike, clothes, games, toys and I need clothes, towels and pans.

Tishie Hudson



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# Children hope Santa will fill wishes

My name is Gloria Braden. I'm writing you about my great nephews, which range in age from 13 to 7 years old. My niece, Gloria Chandler is their mother. I'm writing because I would like to see her three boys have a Merry Christmas. Her story is this: she's a mother who's recovering from drugs and is in a place to get help. This leaves her 18 year old daughter and family to see after the boys. My niece is a single parent on A.D.C.

She is really trying to change her life for herself and her children. She doesn't even know I'm writing this letter to you. It would all be a big surprise, because she wants to be home for Christmas. Because of the program she's in, she's very worried about their Christmas. If there is anything you can do to help out it would be very much appreciated.

Gloria Braden

I'm writing to see if I could possibly get some help for Christmas. I have three children - two of my boys are in job camps in Detroit, but they come home on the weekends. I also have a 12 year old daughter and all she talks about and really wants more than anything else for Christmas is a bike.

The boys could use some socks, undershirts, gloves, hats and scarves. When they catch the bus back and face the weather to keep them warm.

Right now, I am the only one working in my house. What I make just pays my bills. Anything you can help with would be greatly appreciated - no matter what it is.

Karen Urettes

I am a mother of four kids and I have a very low income, such as ADC. I need help for my kids for Christmas. Anything like food, clothing or toys would help me out so much. I have three boys and one girl, Antione 11 years, Jamaire 7 years, Jamaire 6 years, and Lynette 9 years old.

Jacqueline Crawford

If we are selected to receive Christmas help from your organization it will definitely be appreciated.

I am a single mother of 5 children, who just became employed after trying to get ourselves off of A.D.C.

I have four boys and one girl - Daniel 13 years, Andrew 10 years, Shawn 7 years, Joseph 5 years and Theresa 4 years old.

We are in need of some family games. Anything you can do will help to make Christmas. I don't need anything for myself, Christmas is for children.

Freida Porro

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# Youngsters, parents' hope for holiday aid



Hi, my name is Carla. I am a single mother of three and have been on public assistance for the last four years. I have two girls and a boy. Britany is 5 years old, Chantia 3 years old, and my son, Carlando is 6 years old. I would love for my kids to have a nice Christmas. If you could give me a little help, it would come in handy. They are wishing for some clothes, two Barbie dolls and a racing car set.  
*Carla*



My name is Donna and I am a single mother of two girls. Last year my husband of 16 years left us, just two weeks before Christmas. The holidays will be very difficult this year. He was our soul provider. I receive a medical disability and I am currently on ADC until my divorce is final. I don't care about me, but anything you can do for my girls would be greatly appreciated.  
*Donna Jones*



I am a single parent and I am trying as hard as I can. The money I make from working all goes to the babysitter or to pay bills. I have two children, a 2 1/2 year old girl and a 4 1/2 year old boy. I was wondering if you could possibly assist in helping me out. I'm not asking for a lot. Just one Christmas present for each of my children would mean a lot to me.  
*Margaret Seward*

Hello, my name is Eugenia Christian. I am a working single mother with three children. I work here and there part-time and right now I am off from work. This is really a hard time for me. Anything you can do would be greatly appreciated. My children are ages 4 (girl), 2 (girl) and 5 months (boy).  
Thank you and God bless,  
*Eugenia Christian*

My wish is to see my little girl with a new bike this Christmas and I would like just for my rent to be one month ahead.  
I went from a full-time job to a part-time job. In the last two years I have had four part-time jobs just to make ends meet. I want to have a nice dinner and just for the one day to be thankful again. Please, I have tried, thank you.  
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# Unconditional love

## Tragic death of daughter remains painful for mother taking care of grandchildren

By MARGO DEWEY  
MCN News Editor

It's devastating to have a daughter murdered ruthlessly and in front of her own children.

Johnnie Tate will not forget March 28, 1993 when her daughter Yvette Noel Tate was taken from her by a Superior Township killer who shot his victim between the eyes for no apparent reason.

Her children, Cody, Lynita, and Andrew are now under the care of their grandmother, Johnnie Tate, who helps them every day get over the pain of the loss of their mother.

"It has been rough," said Tate. "I've found myself being sick a lot. I really haven't had a chance to even cry. I would like to go to therapy myself, but my insurance doesn't cover therapy. I receive aid from the state and social security to pay for the bills."

Tate said her finances had been stable until August of this year when she ended up at the hospital twice in less than two months for



Johnnie Tate continues to mourn the loss of her daughter, Yvette Noel Tate, who was brutally killed March 28, 1993, by a Superior Township resident. Tate is now taking care of her three grandchildren. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

various illnesses.

"I do work, but I haven't had a good two weeks work since August," said Tate. "I would very much like to give a Christmas to my grandchildren. They deserve to have a little happiness in their life."

Lynita, 7, Andrew, 9, and Cody, 5, are in need of school clothes and winter coats.

Michigan Community Newspapers (MCN) is providing these gifts along with JC Penny. MCN officials are also searching for a hospital or clinic to provide Tate with therapy as a Christmas gift.

Tate said the children are well aware that their mother was killed, and it will take some time before their wounds heal from the traumatic incident.

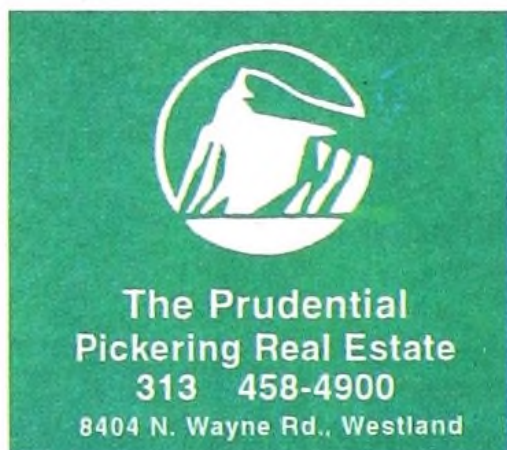
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# Against all odds

## Wishes granted to struggling family in need

By KIMBERLY WOLOSKE  
MCN Staff Writer

As a young couple establishing a family, Kelly and Alan Wagner have struggled against some unfortunate odds to provide food and shelter for their children.

The Wagners and their three children share a duplex in the Norwayne area of Westland where they were forced to move following a house fire that destroyed everything the family owned.

"We lost everything in the fire," said Kelly. "We were a young couple just starting out and we didn't have renter's insurance."

Nearly six years later the Wagners are still finding it difficult to provide for their three children as Alan is now on disability relating to an attack that happened months after the house fire. The 31-year-old, struck from behind during a vicious attack, suffered two collapsed lungs and external injuries. Wagner spent the next 10 days in ICU and approximately two weeks in the hospital.

"After about four days they told my wife I wouldn't make it," said Alan. "But I did."

Born-again Christians, the couple



Kelly and Alan Wagner lost all of their personal belongings as a result of a fire. They are slowly trying to get their lives back in order with the assistance of friends and family members. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

turned to their faith and the love for their children to get them through the next few years. As the holiday's approach though, the husband and wife are constantly reminded their children go without the simple pleasures so many take for granted.

"It breaks our hearts because we

can't even get a tree let alone ornaments or gifts," said Kelly. "Our family truly needs one day to rejoice."

After reading about the *Michigan Community Newspaper*-sponsored Christmas Wish Program, Kelly wrote a letter explaining the family's situation and asking for any

help the staff could provide so that her children wouldn't go without this Christmas.

"To see the twinkle in their eyes would be the best gift my husband and I could receive," wrote Kelly. "We pray that you can provide our children with one day this year to celebrate."

Answering her prayers was the sister of an MCN employee.

Theresa Stanton, 21, learned of the Wagner family's plight and rallied her friends, family and co-workers to provide a Christmas to remember.

"Kelly's letter brought tears to my eyes," said Stanton. "I couldn't imagine those three children going without anything this Christmas. With help from my family and friends we were able to buy a Christmas tree, food and gifts for the whole family."

Stanton's generosity didn't stop there, more than \$600 worth of ornaments were donated by the Walnut Ridge Collectible company where the 21-year-old is employed, along with a full Christmas dinner, winter coats for the entire family,

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# Family fights to overcome serious financial setback, bypass surgery

By MARGO DEWEY  
MCN News Editor

They are doing the best that they can for their four children, but an illness in a Romulus family has caused financial hardship for Tracy Borders and her husband.

Willie Borders is unable to work since he has had four emergency heart bypass surgeries.

"Just trying to make ends meet each month is hard," said Tracy Borders. "My husband's medical bills are so high he doesn't even go to the doctor any more. He still needs to go to get his prescriptions, but we can't afford it."

"It scares me because he had two heart attacks right before his bypass surgery. Without his medication, I'm worried he could become ill again."

Willie Borders was working as a spray painter for several industrial businesses in the area before he became ill.

"It has been rough," said Borders. "When I went into the hospital the first time, I was weighing around 180 pounds. When I came out, I weighed 132. It's a long process to get better. We're doing what

*My husband's medical bills are so high he doesn't even go to the doctor any more.*

**-Tracy Borders**

we can."

With an income of \$790 a month, the Borders have only a few dollars left after all the bills are paid.

"We do not receive food stamps or any other type of assistance," said Tracy Borders. "There is no extra money for birthdays, school trips or anything else. Every penny we spend is on our children."

"We just keep a roof over their heads and food on the table. Any help would be greatly appreciated."

Michigan Community Newspapers (MCN) will be providing the Borders with clothing for their children and toys.

Anyone interested in adopting this family for the holiday season can contact Managing Editor Joan Dyer or News Editor Margo Dewey at 729-4000.



Willie Borders is slowly recovering from his battle with heart disease. Although he is on the road to recovery, the financial war continues, and the family is in need of assistance. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

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# Faith, hope, love keep Inkster family together, happy for holidays

By MARGO DEWEY  
MCN News Editor

When her grandchildren were left in a shelter by their own mother, Betty Crawford wouldn't let them be separated and dropped off at various foster homes only to grow up feeling alone and not loved.

Crawford, who is slightly blind, was determined to take care of her four grandchildren in her apartment in Inkster.

She gives them a warm bed to sleep on, clothes to wear and most of all the love that they need to survive.

This Christmas the Inkster resident has asked for nothing for herself. In fact, it was her neighbor, Callie Grant, who wrote to the *Michigan Community Newspapers* (MCN) asking for assistance in providing Crawford and her family with presents.

"I would appreciate whatever you can do for her to help her at Christmas," said Grant. "She is slightly blind. She has had a kidney transplant and is a very good person."

Crawford's grandchildren are 10, 6, 5 and 4 years old. She said the



Betty Crawford said she would never leave her grandchildren in a shelter. She instills values of faith and love within each of her grandchildren. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

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*We watch television together and we praise the Lord together.*

**-Betty Crawford**

family enjoys just being together.

"We watch television together and we praise the Lord together," said Crawford. "We also sing songs. We love one another very much."

MCN officials asked each of the Crawford children what they wanted for Christmas, and they said baby dolls, Power Ranger figures and trucks.

"We appreciate anything you can do," said Crawford.

MCN officials will be granting the children's wishes this Christmas with the assistance of an area toy store as well as surprising Crawford with a special gift.

Anyone interested in adopting this family during the holiday season can contact Managing Editor Joan Dyer or News Editor Margo Dewey at 729-4000.

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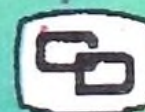
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# Heroic efforts

## Victims of house fire in need of assistance

By MARGO DEWEY  
MCN News Editor

Life is very precious, and one Wayne family is counting their blessings this holiday season having survived a near-fatal accident that could have ended the life of Gary Wethington.

On Oct. 26 a fire broke out in the basement refrigerator of the Wethingtons' home.

Gary Wethington ran downstairs to put out the blaze and was knocked down to the ground when he tried to open the refrigerator which was spilling over with smoke.

"As I opened the refrigerator door, the force of the pressure from the smoke and flames knocked me out," said Wethington. "I tried to get out of the basement, but there was too much smoke. I passed out."

Trapped under a pillow of smoke, Wethington was unaware that his 12-year-old son, Dominic, had risked his life to try and pull his father to safety.

Dominic crawled under the smoke and started moving his father to the basement stairs. His only obstacle was his size. He wasn't strong enough to carry his father up the steps.

The Wethingtons' neighbor, Joe



Joe Shellhaas (left) and Dominic Wethington (right) were recently applauded by the city council for their heroic efforts in pulling Gary Wethington out of the basement fire. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

*As I opened the refrigerator door, the force of the pressure from the smoke and flames knocked me out. I tried to get out of the basement, but there was too much smoke. I passed out.*

**-Gary Wethington**

Shellhaas, just happened to be walking by the home when Dominic ran out the kitchen door and asked him to help.

Together they managed to pull Wethington to safety within minutes. The fire caused extensive smoke damage to the home. Carol Wethington said she would appreciate any Christmas gifts for her children this year since funds have been extremely tight, especially with the fire.

"We will not have a Christmas, but I would be very grateful for any kind of help we can get," said Carol Wethington.

Gary Wethington is on a medical retirement for his heart. He has a limited income coming into the household. His wife works part-time at a local school.

She said by the time the family pays the house bills and for food, there is nothing left.

The Wethingtons have asked the Michigan Community Newspapers (MCN) for clothing for their two children. MCN officials will be fulfilling this wish along with JC Penney.

Anyone interested in adopting this family during the holiday season is asked to contact Managing Editor Joan Dyer or News Editor Margo Dewey at 729-4000.

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# For better or worse

## Husband crippled, wife suffering from arthritis

By MARGO DEWEY  
MCN News Editor

When Edith and Richard Culver said their vows on their wedding day, they had no idea life could throw such a curve ball on their future.

The couple is struggling to survive on \$458 and food stamps each month.

Richard, 58, has diabetes and is crippled. His wife, 53, has a heart disease and rheumatoid arthritis.

"I take 10 different kinds of medicine a day and Richard takes four," said the Belleville resident. "I was hospitalized twice in 1994 for heart problems and again in March of 1995 because they thought I had a small stroke."

The Culvers only request warm clothing this Christmas and a turkey

*I was hospitalized twice in 1994 for heart problems.*

**-Edith Culver**

dinner to get them through the cold winter season.

"I have no boots and Richard needs a warmer coat," said Culver. "He is always cold due to poor circulation. Whatever you can do for us this Christmas will be greatly appreciated."

Michigan Community Newspapers (MCN) along with JC Penney will be making the Culvers Christmas wish come true with warm clothing and a dinner.

Anyone interested in adopting this family during the holiday season can contact Managing Editor Joan Dyer or News Editor Margo Dewey at 729-4000.



Edith and Richard Culver manage to barely survive day to day with the \$458 a month they receive from social security and food stamps. They are in need of food and clothing. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

### Family, from page 9

Christmas decorations, and plenty of toys for Chelsie, 8, Caitlyn, 6, and Schyler 4.

Stanton, her sister, Rita Bedell, and their mother, Louise, made a visit to the Wagner home Dec. 9 to

start their Christmas season off on the right foot. Christmas coats, musical lights and angel ornaments put smiles on the children's faces and tears in the eyes of Stanton and the Wagners.

"She's an angel, Mommy," said Caitlyn.

Employees of the Walnut Ridge Collectible company that contributed to making the Wagner wishes come true included: Heather Kendrick, Julie Inglis, Peggy Edwards-Shaw, Stephanie Stricker, Cindy Chambo, Lynette Cholette, Louise Stanton, Patty Savazza, Barb Seadek, Louise Williams, Debbie

Moore, Kelly Cairo, Charlotte Zadorski, Nora Marlow, Karen Basom, Theresa Stanton and Kathy Bejma.

"I couldn't say thank you enough times to equal what you've done for my family," said Kelly. "You answered our prayers."

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# Mother puts her pride aside, asks for help

By KIMBERLY WOLOSKE  
MCN Staff Writer

Carrying her fifth child knowing Santa Claus might not stop at her Wayne home, Wendy Brown wrote a touching letter to the *Michigan Community Newspapers* asking for our help.

"If the baby arrives before Christmas, he won't know Santa has passed by our home, but the other kids will," wrote Brown.

A newspaper carrier and mother of six, Brown told the MCN staff her pride had to take a backseat to the needs of her children. The kids have gone without a lot of things this year because we just haven't had the money, said Brown. I was hoping the newspaper could help where I can't.

Brown was forced to quit her full-time job after her husband James was hospitalized following two heart attacks. The Wayne mother said she knew in her heart things wouldn't be back to normal until she was able to return to full-time employment status.

The children, Rachel, 15, Andrew, 14, Matthew, 12, and Sammy, 10, Katherine, 9, have gone without many things, including school clothes and the opportunity to attend birthday parties for friends, she said.



Wendy Brown (center) mother of six surrounds herself with her children, Rachel 15, Andrew 14, Matthew 12, Sammy 10, Katherine 9, and her newborn son (not pictured), during this holiday season during their time of need. MCN Special Photo

"We couldn't afford a gift for them to take," wrote Brown. "I simply can't bear the thought of them not having Christmas presents."

Brown and her husband wel-

comed their fourth son into the world Dec. 10 with all the love and affection they feel for their other children. The MCN staff will fulfill the wishes of the Brown children

including clothes and board games.

"The kids have had it so rough this year," said Brown. "If you can help, even in the smallest way, I will be forever grateful."

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During the holidays schools are closed so I will be losing that income. I know there are a lot of families in need of help.

But if there is any way possible you could help me, my husband and I would appreciate it greatly.

Thank you and God bless you.  
Mrs. Eller

#### Love, from page 8

said Tate. "When he drew his mother, he drew a bullet on her head. They know what has happened. It will take time and therapy, but I know these kids will survive."

What does Tate miss the most about her daughter?

"The laughter," said Tate. "She had the prettiest laugh. She would call me every morning and say 'Hey mom, what's up.' I really miss that."

Anyone interested in adopting this family this holiday season can contact Managing Editor Joan Dyer or News Editor Margo Dewey at 729-4000.



## Ho Ho Ho

Santa Claus says he believes the real spirit of holidays is the warmth and love that families share during the holiday season. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. MCN Special Photo

Hi, my name is Carla. I am a single mother of three children. I have been on public assistance for the last four years. I have two girls and a boy, Brittany, 5 years, Chantia, 3 years, and Carlando 6 years old.

I would love for my kids to have a nice Christmas this year. If you could give me a little help it would come in handy. They are wishing for some clothes, two barbie dolls and a racing car set.

Nameless

#### Wish, from page 1

Heaven."

For his sister and niece, Gawley would like to give them warm clothing for Christmas.

"I just hope and pray she has a wonderful Christmas this year, especially since it will be our last together," Gawley said. "My sister and my niece are the two most important people I have left in my life. No one else is there to help me or her."

MCN officials will be granting Gawley's wish this Christmas with the hope that he and his family will enjoy the last few precious memories together.

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# Letters reflect holiday wishes for kids

I received a copy of the news article "Christmas Wish Program Begins" from the Michigan Community Newspapers from my daughters school bus driver. She knows that I am having a very hard time providing for my children.

I am a mother of three beautiful little girls ages 2, 4, and 9 years. Because I cannot find work to pay enough to support my children, I have to depend on ADC. I recently completed a nursing assistant program and I am actively looking for full-time employment with health care benefits for myself and my girls.

At the present time, just trying to make ends meet is difficult. I've taken on a part-time midnight waitressing job that pays \$2.52 an hour plus whatever little tips I get.

The fathers of my daughters don't help me to support them in any way nor are they active in any other parts of their lives. In fact, they have never been to our home to visit.

I had a roommate living with us

to help pay some of the cost for rent, but she has left. November and December rent has not been paid yet, nor do I see rent getting paid either.

As anyone knows, trying to find housing with three small children is virtually impossible when you have no credit and no money. Our landlord has already given us a seven-day eviction notice for non-payment of rent. I receive money from Social Services but when I look at what's coming in versus what needs to go out, I'm stuck in a grave situation.

With Christmas just around the corner, my landlord around the corner as well, I'm faced with a most terrible dilemma. Should I pay a partial rent and forget the children on Christmas in hopes that it will buy me time or should I buy toys and forget the landlord and end up at a shelter. God knows I don't have the funds to do both. Please help me if you can. Thankyou and Merry Christmas.

Keisha Alexander

In pursuant to your recent ad in the newspaper, I'm responding to you because I'm very much in need of a holiday Christmas wish.

My furnace went out a week ago. I had to purchase a new furnace with all the money I had, including the money I saved for my kids Christmas. I don't get very much money because I'm on A.D.C.

I've been recently unemployed and I just don't have the money to start saving again. My next check will have to pay my bills. I don't know what to do.

I have a \$400 lay-away at a local

store for Christmas. It includes toys, clothes and winter underwear for my kids. I have five children and they are all looking forward to Christmas.

If I could just have one wish for Christmas, it would be to get those warm winter clothes that my children so desperately need and one special little toy that I have layed-away for them. If there is anything you could do for us, I would surely be grateful and my children would be blessed.

Lena Davis

Installation services were held recently at Smith Chapel A.M.E. Church Rev. Lila Martin of Grace A.M.E. Church, was the speaker for the occasion.

*Should I pay a partial rent and forget the children on Christmas in hopes that it will buy me time or should I buy toys and forget the landlord and end up at a shelter.*

I am writing you in hopes that you can fulfill my holiday wish. I have four children and I need help with Christmas. I have very little money and my bills exceed my disability check. My kids mean the world to me.

This year I would like to give them a better Christmas, than they had last year, which was nothing much at all. We survived last Christmas on the love we have for one another. It taught them the idea

of appreciation.

We have made it here again to another Christmas and the odds of them having a successful one doesn't look so great. So I'm asking you to grant my children this holiday wish for a wonderful Christmas.

We are in need of food, clothes, toys and twin size mattresses. Right now my kids are sleeping on the carpet.

Kathy Willoughby

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# Mother slowly recovers from shooting, children feared poor holiday until recent surprise gift

By KIMBERLY WOLOSKE  
MCN Staff Writer

Stalked by her ex-boyfriend who ultimately turned his rage into murder, Colleen Markey is desperately trying piece her life back together with the help of family and friends.

Markey, 34, was asleep in her Inkster home Aug. 16 when her ex-boyfriend Ken Taylor kicked in the front door taking the life of Markey's boyfriend at the time, Gordon Davis, before turning the gun on himself. In the shooting rampage, Markey was seriously injured as the result of a bullet wound to the chest. Part of her breast and stomach were removed by surgeons at the University of Michigan Hospital in Ann Arbor where the single mother spent the next four weeks recovering.

"It's been a slow and painful recovery," said Markey. "I just take things one day at a time."

Living in a new home, Markey was finally reunited with her children in early December. The injuries she sustained from the shooting made it impossible for her to work or care for her children Angela, 15, Matthew, 7 and Amanda, 3. Markey wrote the *Michigan Community*



Colleen Markey (center) holds tightly to her daughter Amanda, 3. The former Inkster resident was recently reunited with her other children Amanda (left) and Matthew after being separated for more than three months following a shooting rampage by her ex-boyfriend. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

Newspapers a letter in November asking for any help the staff could offer in fulfilling her children's

Christmas wishes.

"We are in the process of moving and getting our family back to-

*It's been a slow and painful recovery. I just take things one day at a time.*

**-Colleen Markey**

gether," wrote Markey. "I have been out of work for three months and we will be having a very dim Christmas."

Sadly, Markey's only son Matthew's bicycle was stolen while she was hospitalized.

"He really wants a bike from Santa," said Markey. "I know I can't afford to buy one for him so I was hoping the newspaper could help."

Knowing she was alive and able to spend everyday with her children was enough of a Christmas present for the single mother. Her children will also be able to enjoy the holiday season with their mother and the gifts they received from the MCN staff including new bicycles and roller blades for Angela.



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# Death in family

## Mother in need of clothing this holiday season for her three children, twins, infant

By MARGO DEWEY  
MCN News Editor

She is caring for her three children alone, trying to provide them with the necessities including food, clothing and a roof over their heads.

This year, however, Inkster resident Noel Sheridan is in need of a helping hand from a few Kriss Kringles.

In her letter to the *Michigan Community Newspapers* (MCN), Sheridan said this is the first year her twins Matthew and Krista, 4 1/2 years old, and Michael, 17 months, will try to celebrate the Christmas holiday without their father.

"It's just so hard because this is the first Christmas without their daddy, and then the swingset he bought them before he died in March was ruined from a tree falling on it during the bad weather we had recently," said Sheridan.

Sheridan receives state aid. She said, however, after paying her rent, utilities and for the funeral of her husband, the last few months have been very difficult financially.

*"I would really appreciate any type of Christmas gifts you could help me with to make their first Christmas without their daddy a happy one."*

**-Noel Sheridan**

"I would really appreciate any type of Christmas gifts you could help me with to make their first Christmas without their daddy a happy one."

MCN officials have gathered clothing and food to help the Sheridan family. JC Penney provided the clothing for the Sheridan family.

Anyone else interested in adopting this family during the holiday season can contact Managing Editor Joan Dyer or News Editor Margo Dewey at (313) 729-4000.



Noel Sheridan said her children's last gift from their father before he died was a swing set which was recently destroyed by a storm. This will be the first Christmas the children will spend without their father. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

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